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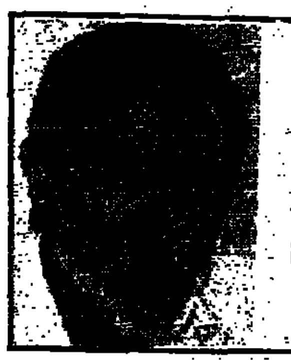

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Lebanese Red Cross workers evacuate sick and wounded from the Shatilla refugee camp yesterday after Syrian forces ended a 133-day siege by Amal Shi'ite militia on Tuesday. (See P. 3.) (AFP)

Differences emerge on Soviet role at peace parley

Peres may meet Soviet FM 'in coming weeks'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres is expected to meet with his Soviet counterpart Eduard Shevardnadze within the next few weeks, a senior government official said in Jerusalem last night.

One purpose of Peres's talks in Rome this week with two Soviet officials was to pave the way for the anticipated Peres-Shevardnadze meeting, the senior official said.

The current Israeli-Soviet contacts focus on how to progress towards the convening of an international conference. A major stumbling block is the divergence of views on the status of the world's major powers at such a conference, the official said.

The Israeli position is that the U.S. representative should be the sole conference president, with the representatives of the four other members of the Security Council having the role of observers, the official said. The Soviet Union is demanding that all five Security Council members have equal status.

Alexander Zotov (Reuter)

Karen Brutents (Reuter)

The official also disclosed that another difference that emerged in Peres's talks concerned the procedure whereby contacts would be established between Israel and the Arab delegations participating in the conference. Israel wants such contacts established separately through each of the five powers, whereas the Soviets insist that the five function as a single bloc.

Lisa Palmieri-Billig in Rome and news agencies add:

Peres had three long meetings yesterday with Alexander Zotov, the Soviet Communist Party Central Committee's foreign relations consultant, and Karen Brutents, deputy head of the Central Committee's international department.

The Soviets stressed the importance of an international conference, intimating that progress towards such a conference would help solve the problem of restoring diplomatic relations with Israel that were broken off by the Soviets after the Six-Day War in 1967.

Israeli observers in Rome agree that the Soviets have softened their position and that there has been a constructive shift away from general concepts towards a search for concrete solutions.

The Soviets, these observers say, have declared their opposition to imposing a solution of Israel and its neighbours, who must negotiate directly. The Soviets also say that while the PLO cannot be ignored, it

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Leumi suing Japhet for NIS 7m.

By PINHAS LANDAU
Post Finance Reporter

Bank Leumi is demanding the return of over NIS 7 million from its former chairman and chief executive officer, Ernest Japhet, in a claim to be presented at the Tel Aviv District Court this morning.

The 14-page claim is being presented on behalf of Leumi by two of the country's top lawyers, Haim Zadok and Michael Heshin. It seeks the repayment of NIS 6.6m. paid to Japhet as severance pay and a further NIS 500,000 be received as pension and allied payments after leaving the bank last year.

Ernst Japhet (Daniel Blatt)

The document details all the terms of Japhet's departure from the bank, and describes the decision-making process that led to these terms.

The court will then be asked to determine the level of the pension to which Japhet should be entitled.

The format of the claim is based on the legal opinion Zadok drew up for Bank Leumi's previous board in the course of the "Leumigate" scandal that broke early this year.

Tindemans 'charges ME peace process like bull at a gate'

Britain 'fuming' over EC peace drive

By DAVID HOROVITZ
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
and agencies

LONDON. – Britain is fuming over EC Council President Leo Tindemans's efforts to "charge at the Middle East peace process like a bull at a gate," and to restore high-level contacts with Syria in order to promote an international Middle East peace conference.

Britain broke ties with Damascus last October after the London trial of Nezar Hindawi heard evidence that Syrian agents masterminded a foiled plot to bomb and El Al jumbo as it flew from London to Tel Aviv.

EC foreign ministers in November agreed to ban high-level contacts with Syria as part of a package of largely symbolic sanctions imposed in response to the Hindawi case.

With Jordan's King Hussein meeting Premier Margaret Thatcher for talks here today, Britain is likely to come under increased pressure to moderate its tough line on contacts with Syria, but Whitehall sources insisted yesterday that changes in Damascus policy had been "little more than cosmetic."

The sources told *The Jerusalem Post* that Britain would not be prepared to stand by and "let Syria be rewarded for its intransigence with a renewal of high-level contacts."

They said that Britain took issue with Tindemans's assertion on Tuesday that the EC members had agreed last November to allow EC-Syrian ministerial meetings in pursuit of a peace initiative.

"There was no such agreement," the sources said, adding that "neither Tindemans nor other top-ranking EC officials would be given a mandate by Britain to hold talks with Damascus."

Tindemans is due to visit Israel, Jordan, Egypt and Saudi Arabia in the near future, and he has mentioned the possibility of informal contacts with Syria.

The sources said that other EC members were also opposed to Tindemans's efforts to bring Syria back into the fold, but this assertion is belied by the growing contacts between European nations and Damascus. Britain is looking more and more like the odd man out in Europe over Syria.

In Washington, Jordanian Prime Minister Zaid Rifa'i said yesterday that his government and the U.S. had narrowed some of their differences regarding an international peace conference.

Rifai, ending a three-day visit to Washington, told reporters that progress had been made in obtaining U.S. support for the Soviet-backed proposal to convene a conference designed to resolve the Arab-Israeli dispute.

"I believe there's acceptance for our position.... We're not discussing the principle any more. We're discussing the details." He declined to specify what the next step would be saying only that his government would continue consultations with the U.S. on the subject.

The U.S. initially rejected the idea of a conference, but in recent months has said it would support such a conference if it led to direct Arab-Israeli talks.

Rifai also said Jordan had coordinated its position closely with Syria, which he said was willing to participate in an international forum.

Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy said on Tuesday that the U.S. was exploring signals from Damascus regarding Syrian willingness to negotiate with Israel.

In Singapore, the PLO said it would temporarily stop fighting if Israel and the U.S. accepted the holding of an international peace conference.

Shamir to be briefed by Peres on Europe talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter

Prime Minister Shamir will meet with Foreign Minister Peres soon after his return today or tomorrow to be briefed on the Rome discussions with two Soviet diplomats, sources in Jerusalem said last night.

Shamir and Peres will also discuss their differences over an international peace conference. Peres gave Shamir a preliminary report on his talks over the phone on Tuesday night.

According to Shamir's aides, the prime minister hopes the meetings in Rome will lead to closer relations with the Soviet Union, but not to an international conference, which he feels would be a "disaster."

There is no doubt that the meetings with the Soviets were important, but it would be an exaggeration to describe them as a turning point in relations between the two countries, officials in Shamir's office said last night.

"Shamir's absolute rejection of the idea of an international conference is of no relevance to his positive view concerning contacts with the Soviets," the sources said, adding that "Shamir and Peres agree on most issues with the exception of the international conference, and work together harmoniously much more than some reports have suggested."

In what seemed like a deliberate move initiated from above to defuse the recent tensions between the prime minister and his foreign minister, sources in the Prime Minister's Office said that the two men had coordinated their positions in advance of Peres's meetings with the two Soviet officials, and that Shamir knew what stand Peres would take at them.

Peres was expected to phone again last night and to brief Shamir in person before the weekend.

Sources in the Prime Minister's Office said that "any dialogue with Soviet officials which could help promote diplomatic ties and increase

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Peaceful Bnei Brak

There's less violence in Bnei Brak than in any other city in the country.

That was the conclusion of Haifa University criminologist Gideon Fishman, who analysed police figures for 1986 on reported cases of murder, attempted murder, manslaughter, and other violent crimes.

Fishman found that there was less violence in Bnei Brak than in any other city with a population of more than 50,000. It was the third year in a row that he found Bnei Brak to be the least violent city.

Among Jewish towns with populations of 10,000 to 50,000, the least violence was reported in Kiryat Motzkin, near Haifa. Among Arab towns the same size, the most peaceful was the Beduin township of Rahat in the Negev.

In the under-10,000 class, the least violent towns were Gedera and the Druse village of Daliat al-Carmel. (Itim)

President Herzog visits Worms cemetery yesterday. (See story, page 2) (Reuter)

Oslo seeks answers on heavy water

By BENNY MORRIS
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

OSLO. – Norway has asked Israel for "clarifications" about Israel's use of Norwegian heavy water shipments and has demanded that Israel agree to international supervision of its use of the heavy water.

A month ago, a senior Norwegian diplomat conveyed these requests, in the name of the Norwegian foreign minister, in "informal talks" with a senior Israeli Foreign Ministry officials in Jerusalem.

Norway submitted its requests to Jerusalem following questions in Parliament by MP Theo Korizinsky of the Social Left Party, who pressed the government to explain what had happened to the heavy water. Korizinsky's questions were triggered by the Vanunu affair.

Norway has not yet received an answer but it is "hopeful" that an "adequate" response will be forthcoming from Jerusalem.

Revealing this, Norwegian Foreign Minister Thorvald Stoltenberg told visiting Israeli diplomatic correspondents that Norway sold Israel 20 tons of heavy water in 1959 and one more ton in 1970.

He said that according to 9 secret agreement between the two countries signed in 1959, the shipments were to be used "only for peaceful purposes" and Norway had the right to "control" and supervise its use.

In 1961 former defence minister Jens Christian Hauge visited Israel and "inspected" the heavy water, which had not yet been put to use. The former defence minister's report engendered a lively cabinet meeting in Oslo in which doubts were raised about whether Israel would use the heavy water for peaceful purposes.

Norway has now asked that Israel agree to inspections of the use of the heavy water by the International Atomic Energy Agency. This would replace its own direct control of use of the material as provided for in the 1959 agreement.

Stoltenberg said yesterday: "I know Foreign Minister Shimon Peres very well, so I think we will get a reply."

Marine spy arrests cast shadow on Shultz talks

WASHINGTON (Reuter). – Secretary of State George Shultz said yesterday that the Marine spy case had cast a "heavy shadow" over his talks in Moscow next week.

"Unfortunately, as is so often the case when we are in the midst of potentially promising discussions with the Soviets, the discussions take place in a difficult environment generated by their actions, and these things cast a heavy shadow on our discussions," he told reporters.

Shultz, who meets Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze next week, said President Reagan had given him instructions to discuss the full range of arms control issues in Moscow, not just medium-range missiles.

Commenting on the widening spy-sex scandal involving U.S. Marine guards at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow, and concern about security at a new embassy under construction there, Shultz said: "We're damned upset about it."

Shultz spoke after the Pentagon announced that a third former Marine security guard has been arrested on suspicion of spying for the Soviet Union and the probe of security breaches now includes the U.S. Embassy in Rome and the American consulate in Leningrad. The Pentagon said yesterday.

The suspect, Sgt. John Joseph Weirick, was arrested on Tuesday and is being questioned at Camp Pendleton in California, the Pentagon's chief spokesman, Robert Sims disclosed.

Weirick is suspected of espionage while working as a security guard at the American consulate office in Leningrad in 1981 and 1982. He also worked briefly as a security guard at the U.S. Embassy in Moscow and the embassy in Rome.

Two other Marine guards have been charged with espionage at the Moscow embassy.

Shultz's talks with Shevardnadze were announced after Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev gave new impetus to the possibility of a superpower arms control treaty on February 28 by saying he would sign an agreement on intermediate-range nuclear missiles. (See p.3 story)

Demonstrators show support for hunger-striking prisoners

Troops break up W. Bank protests

By JOEL GREENBERG

IDF troops yesterday used tear gas and fired in the air to break up demonstrations throughout the West Bank. The demonstrations were held in solidarity with hunger-striking Palestinian security prisoners.

Shopkeepers shuttered their stores in East Jerusalem and Jenin, and closed down briefly in Bethlehem.

At the Askar refugee camp near Nablus, 21 pupils were hurt in a brawl in the school after they had thrown stones during a demonstration, a military spokesman said. He said troops entered the school to restore calm. However, Palestinian sources said that the troops clubbed students and banged their heads together, and that one was taken to Rafidiya hospital with a gunshot wound in his shoulder. Eleven other pupils received medical treatment, the sources said.

In Bethlehem, troops fired in the air to disperse demonstrators near Manger Square, the military spokesman said. Sources in Bethlehem said that some 50 women marched from the Dehaishe refugee camp to the municipality building, where they sought a meeting with mayor Elias Freij.

Freij did not meet with the women but later said he had cabled Defence Minister Rabin, Police Minister Bar-Lev and the head of the Judea and Samaria Civil Administration, Ephraim Sneh, urging them to find a solution that would end the strike.

In Jenin, an IDF soldier was lightly hurt in the head by a rock when some 30 youths, insisting that shopkeepers close down, hurled stones at stores. The soldier fired warning shots in the air to disperse the youths, the spokesman said.

A pupil was stabbed and lightly wounded in a Jenin high school when he resisted masked youths who entered the building to urge pupils to demonstrate, the spokesman said.

A four-hour curfew was clamped on the Tulkarm refugee camp after demonstrators hurled stones and burned tires.

In Ramallah troops used tear gas to disperse dozens of pupils who marched from the local teachers' training college.

In further incidents reported by Israel Radio last night, one Israeli and two Arabs were hurt by stones thrown at their cars near the Dehaishe refugee camp, and a border patrolman was lightly injured from shards of broken glass at Askar. In El-Bireh, a bus was stoned and one of the passengers retaliated by breaking some windows of a neighbouring home.

Prisons Service spokesman Shimon Malka said yesterday that the number of striking inmates had declined to 1,200 and that eight were under medical observation. He said he expected the strike to end in a few days.

A Post reporter adds from Majdal Sham: Police have arrested seven Golan Druse on suspicion of organizing pro-Syrian demonstrations, raising the Syrian flag on public buildings and attacking police.

The police made the arrests during a thorough search of 20 houses in three Golan villages on Tuesday night.

Soviet submarines off U.S. coast

WASHINGTON (AFP). – U.S. navy warships and aircraft are tracking the largest armada of Soviet submarines seen off the U.S. east coast in two years, the Pentagon confirmed yesterday.

A Pentagon spokesman said the Soviet submarines were in "the western Atlantic" region, but would not confirm published reports that they were deployed off U.S. navy bases at Norfolk, Virginia, and New London, Connecticut.

The Soviet fleet includes Victor 111 class nuclear-powered attack submarines, described as "among the quietest and most capable in the Soviet navy." They carry SS-N-16 nuclear-tipped torpedoes.

The Pentagon stressed that the Soviet submarines presented "no increased threat to U.S. interests or territory."

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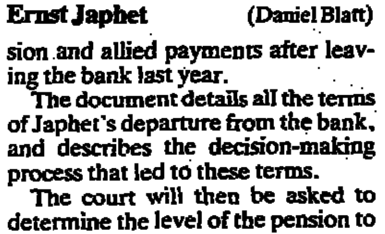

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Nahariya	–	—	19
Safad	23	12–21	16
Haifa Port	–	—	19
Tiberias	30	11–27	23
Nazareth	—	—	19
Afula	47	9–27	21
Samaria	42	13—25	19
Tel Aviv	80	13–23	20
B-G Airport	44	11–25	21
Jericho	21	13–32	26
Gaza	77	13–21	20
Beersheba	19	9–28	21
Eilat	17	15–32	29

Family allowed to visit Vanunu

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The family of Mordechai Vanunu, a former nuclear technician now held on espionage and treason charges, was allowed to visit him on Tuesday after a ban on family visits was lifted, a Prisons Service spokesman said yesterday.

The prison authorities imposed a ban on family visits because Vanunu smeared shaving cream over a closed-circuit camera which monitored his movements.

Israel Radio yesterday quoted family members as saying on Tuesday that Vanunu "looks good and feels good."

Bible-burning pupil expelled from school

BEERSHEBA (Itim). – An 11th grade pupil who tore a Bible and then burned it to prove that he didn't believe in God, was yesterday expelled from school.

According to the principal of the Himmelfarb High School, the pupil had been previously expelled from the Air Force technical school.

Bonn ready to increase aid, back Israel in Europe

By WLADIMIR STRUMINSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. – West Germany is prepared to increase its cooperation with Israel and to make its international influence felt in Israel's favour in a number of fields, German and Israeli sources said yesterday on the third day of President Herzog's visit to the Federal Republic.

Closer cooperation is likely to be sought in implementing joint projects in developing countries. Germany is expected to boost its support for Israeli positions in the European community. Youth exchanges between the two countries may also benefit from the visit.

German sources said that Herzog's trip was likely to serve "educational purposes" by making Germans aware of the Nazi era. Thus, the visit would probably strengthen the moral and political line of President Richard von Weizsaecker.

The sources also said that von Weizsaecker is satisfied with the "positive echo" of the visit in the German media. The visit has become a major media event, enjoying even wider and friendlier coverage than expected.

The visit is also expected to benefit Germany's international image, showing the world that it is a state that can host an Israeli president and does not intend to forget its Nazi past.

Yesterday morning, Herzog and von Weizsaecker visited Worms. They toured the city's synagogue, which was originally built in 1034, the place where Rashi (Rabbi Shlomo ben-Yitzhak) studied, and the *mikve* (ritual bath) as well as the Judaica museum in Rashi's house.

Herzog and his host were greeted in front of the synagogue by a few dozen local citizens, including schoolchildren and German representatives of the International Christian Embassy in Jerusalem.

President Herzog did not call for an international conference on Middle East peace, contrary to a foreign news agency report included in yesterday's *Jerusalem Post* coverage of the president's visit to Germany.

Herzog was also greeted by the heads of the Jewish community of Mainz, which today is responsible for the maintenance of Jewish sites in Worms. In Worms itself, there are hardly any Jews left, a local official said. One of the city's Jewish families was planning to move to another city; a Jewish woman living there is over 80 years old. A few Israelis live in Worms, but they are not members of the organized Jewish community.

Before World War II, the Jewish community had 1,100 members. The rebuilt synagogue is not in use and therefore – in keeping with Jewish rules – it has no *mezuza.*

Proceeding from the Rashi house, the president visited the old Jewish cemetery of Worms and placed a stone on the tomb of 13th-century scholar Maharam (Meir of Rothberg) who is buried in Worms.

Later, Herzog was received in the city hall by Mayor Wilhelm Neuss and the prime minister of the federal state of Rhineland-Palatinate, Bernhard Vogel. In his speech in the municipality, Herzog said that it was moving for Jews who were brought up on Rashi's commentaries to see that post-war Worms had rebuilt the study house traditionally associated with Rashi.

The president also stressed that Worms was an important centre of Jewish thought in the Middle Ages. Worms has a twin city agreement with Tiberias.

At the entrance to the city hall, an elderly man dressed in the uniform of a concentration camp inmate waited for the president with a placard reading: "The last Auschwitz inmate in Worms welcomes you." The man said he was not protesting against the visit, but welcoming the president.

Strauss presses bid to sell arms to Saudis

By WLADIMIR STRUMINSKI
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

BONN. – Bavarian Prime Minister Franz Josef Strauss has repeated his demand that Germany liberalize its policy on arms exports to Saudi Arabia, but Israeli and German sources said that the timing of his call was unlikely to mar President Herzog's visit to Germany.

Political observers pointed out that Strauss's action indicated that he was determined to go on pressing the issue to ensure eventual arms deliveries to the Saudis.

In an article that appeared in a publication of his Christian Social Union party, Strauss repeated his long-standing demand that Germany adopt a policy similar to that of *other Western countries on the export* of defensive arms to Saudi Arabia in order to stabilize the Saudi regime. Such a policy is in the interest of both the West and Israel itself, Strauss claimed.

Strauss's article was ill-timed on two counts: not only does it come during Herzog's visit to Germany, but it also reiterates a similar demand made by International Economic Cooperation Minister Hans Klein last Sunday that caused the government to clarify that it was sticking to its restrictive arms exports policy.

The West German government spokesman's office told *The Jerusalem Post* last night that the government *reaction to Klein's remarks* was still in force. No special statement was issued last night in reaction to Strauss's article.

Political observers pointed out that the affair was unlikely to mar the Israeli President's visit since both Herzog and West German President Richard Von Weizsaecker were determined to make it a success.

Yesterday afternoon Herzog received representatives of the leftist Green party. One issue he discussed with them was the different attitudes in Israel to the question of a Palestinian state. In the evening, he hosted von Weizsaecker at a reception in the residence of Israel's ambassador in Bonn.

Pledge to pay Druse

By ELAINE RUTH FLETCHER

The Finance Ministry has promised to transfer some NIS 2 million to Druse local councils today to avert a planned strike, according to the secretary of the national committee of Druse local councils.

"I hope this time they told the truth. If not, on Friday we will go on strike," Dr. Hamed Sa'ab said yesterday. The money, which has been delayed for months, is to cover most of a NIS 3m. deficit from 1985.

Meanwhile, another Druse municipal leader called on the Knesset's *two Druse members to leave the* national unity government immediately because of foot-dragging over approval of a plan to give Druse communities equal status with Jewish ones.

New El Al plan to deal with 'pilot shortage'

By JONATHAN KARP
For The Jerusalem Post

TEL AVIV. – Following the continued disruption of flights, El Al has decided on a new approach for dealing with the "pilot shortage."

"We are not running after the pilots anymore," El Al spokesman Nahman Klieman said last night. Instead of delaying or cancelling flights in order to find crew members to replace pilots who call in sick, the airline will make fleet or routes changes to ensure the flight's departure on schedule, he said.

Two examples of the change came on Sunday and Monday nights when a plane which was scheduled to fly non-stop from Tel Aviv to New York, landed in Paris to pick up an extra crew member. Non-stop trans-Atlantic flights on Boeing 747s generally have four crew members, and when the airline found itself short a first officer, officials decided to add the stop in Paris, rather than cancel the flight until the next day and put passengers up in hotels.

The plan entailed certain costs, Klieman said, but they were considerably lower than idling the plane and putting up passengers overnight. On Monday, El Al had to pay for hotel rooms for about 200 passengers in London when their plane never arrived. It was grounded in Israel for lack of a first officer.

Klieman said that the temporary shortage was due in part to the fact that 10 pilots were serving their reserve duty and six others were actually sick. However, he also noted that the timing of the disruptions – on busy days – indicated that they could be linked to the ongoing wage negotiations between the pilots and management.

The disruptions have prompted Transport Minister Haim Corfu to make an unprecedented threat to hand over some of El Al's routes to another airline.

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aliya is welcome. Any meeting is a good idea, and all the more so if it produces some result."

The attempt by Shamir's men to minimize talk of a crisis leading to early elections, and to dispel gloomy reports that relations between Shamir and Peres were at breaking point, were seen as a reaction to the negative image of the government in general and of its head in particular, projected abroad since the eve of Peres's trip to Spain and Italy.

In Washington, Secretary of State George Shultz said yesterday that the U.S. was exploring the possibility of convening an international peace conference.

But he reiterated that the U.S. believes the best way to resolve the Middle East conflict is for the sides involved to negotiate with each other directly.

SYRUP. – Health Ministry inspectors in Rishon Lezion yesterday confiscated a number of 450-gram jars with syrup which were labelled "honey." The only clue to the manufacturer was "P.O. Box 08369."

Sergeant demoted

HAIFA (Itim). – A sergeant who ordered a recruit to climb inside a trash can and shout "I am garbage" was demoted to corporal yesterday.

The sergeant was in charge of a group of some 60 recruits that included conscientious objectors, minor offenders and other men reluctant to serve in the IDF.

The sergeant had reacted to the private yelling "the army is garbage," according to testimony at the military hearing. And he had later apologized to the recruit. It was the first time the sergeant had violated military regulations.

Young tourists take time off to enjoy the sunny spring weather opposite Jerusalem's central bus station yesterday. (Brian Hendler)

Issue still over ID card's authenticity

By ERNIE MEYER
Jerusalem Post Reporter

"Were you ever asked your opinion regarding the authenticity of documents in any of the many war crimes trials at which you testified?" defence counsel Mark O'Connor yesterday asked during his cross-examination of prosecution witness Wolfgang Scheffler.

"Authenticity was rarely if ever an issue; it was a marginal subject," replied Scheffler. "I often testified on the provenance of documents."

Scheffler, who teaches the history of the Nazi period at the Free University of Berlin, added: "I never had a case where authenticity was of such central importance as it is here."

O'Connor's question was designed to counteract Scheffler's ringing endorsement Tuesday of the Trawniki identity card's authenticity, "from a historian's point of view."

O'Connor hammered away at the uniqueness of the ID card. If proved genuine, it would place Ivan (John) Demjanjuk at the Trawniki SS training camp in 1942 and 1943.

Scheffler said that he first saw a copy of the card during Demjanjuk's 1981 denaturalization trial in Cleveland, at which he also testified for the prosecution.

Asked by O'Connor about the implication of the fact that no other specimen had come to light so far, Scheffler said: "I would be just as surprised to see the identification card or pay book of a member of a *Sonderkommando* [killer squad], although I know that there were such documents."

Scheffler said that during his research he had come across the case of a foreign-born SS auxiliary named Paul Fessler, who in 1944 was granted German citizenship on the strength of his Trawniki ID card. But Scheffler had not found the actual ID card.

"I am convinced that further research will eventually turn up more examples. There is no systematic search for them now. I have a feeling that a purposeful search will bring results."

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O'Connor: "The U.S., Germany and Israel have asked the Soviet Union for another example of a Trawniki ID card, but without result."

Scheffler: "I'm not informed about the efforts by these governments."

O'Connor: "So you have done nothing by way of finding a control for your testimony. A man is on trial and may be hanged, largely based on this one-of-a kind document, which you say is genuine."

At this point, court president Dov Levin intervened and told O'Connor to put an end to such declarations. "Nobody said that the accused would be hanged, even if found guilty. You state facts you don't know."

In the early stages of the cross-examination, which began yesterday morning, O'Connor asked Scheffler about his youth in Leipzig, East Germany, where he was born in 1929. Scheffler said that as the son of an academic – his father was a high-school teacher and had been a member of the Nazi Party – he was not allowed to go to university. In 1950 he took a train to West Berlin and stayed on to study political science and history there. He received his doctorate in 1956 with a dissertation on "The development of pay scales for members of parliament in the United Kingdom and Germany."

From 1956-59, Scheffler took part in a research programme sponsored by the Senate of the City of Berlin which dealt with resistance and persecution under the Nazis. Scheffler handled the Jewish aspect of the study and later wrote a book on it.

"We did not deal with the problem of the punishment of Nazi criminals," he said. "I knew at the time that the majority of war criminals were still free. There can never be justice for these people."

By dwelling on Scheffler's birth in the eastern part of Germany and his subsequent "escape" from there, O'Connor seemed to be suggesting that the witness might have Communist leanings, and be involved in a Soviet plot against Demjanjuk, although he never spelled this out.

In a curious lapse from his usual

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Eight young Iran Jews being held by Pakistanis

By HAIM SHAPIRO
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Eight young Iranian Jews now being held in Pakistan will probably be executed if they are sent back to Iran as threatened, the chairman of Israel's Association of Iranian Jews said yesterday.

Sasson Siman-Tov said that the eight young men had fled Iran to avoid being sent to the Iraqi front. According to news agency reports, the Pakistani authorities have charged that all eight were travelling on forged passports.

Until about three years ago, Jews were relatively free to leave Iran.

Pollard panel hears three witnesses

The Knesset panel investigating the Pollard affair yesterday questioned ministers Ezer Weizman and Ariel Sharon, and former minister Haim Zippori, Israel TV reported last night.

According to the TV, the three were the last witnesses the committee planned to see, and it was proceeding to write up its findings. Israel Radio said earlier yesterday that lawyer Harold Katz, in whose Washington apartment Pollard reportedly met his Israeli "handlers," had not been questioned by the panel.

Gentle police approach to students' protest

By BERNARD JOSEPHS
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Worried police commanders breathed a sigh of relief last night when the latest student protest against plans to raise tuition fees ended peacefully.

After more than a week of violent *clashes between the force and students* in Jerusalem, the police were clearly taking a more gentle approach yesterday in a bid to cool tempers.

Border Police, who in previous rallies were at the forefront, carrying truncheons and wearing steel helmets, remained in their vans.

And senior officers instructed mounted police to keep clear of the demonstrators.

The nearest thing to an ugly incident came when a mounted policeman had trouble controlling his horse and the animal backed into a car.

The students, too, were in no mood for trouble at the end of a week that has seen 17 of them arrested and at least four injured. Organizers kept tight control as protesters carrying torches staged a mock funeral march along King George Street. The marchers included a large contingent from Ben-Gurion University of the Negev.

The chairman of the National Students' *Union, David Berman, told* the crowd of about 300 that the struggle would continue after Pessah.

"We want people to know that we are not fighting just for ourselves but for the future of higher education in this country," he said.

Earlier in the day the police had refused the students permission to demonstrate outside Finance Minister Moshe Nisssim's Jerusalem home. On Monday night police used tear gas to break up a demonstration there.

Yesterday the Citizens Rights Movement joined Alignment MK Yitzhak Artzi in calling for an investigation into police methods of controlling student demonstrations.

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Congressmen want action on Soviet embassy in Washington

Big Two swap charges in spying flap

MOSCOW. – The Soviet Union expressed anger yesterday at what it called hostile remarks by President Reagan and accused Washington of trying to poison the atmosphere of forthcoming arms control talks by whipping up a spy scare.

In Washington, congressmen introduced legislation to force the Soviets out of their new complex on a hilltop in the U.S. capital.

Soviet deputy foreign minister Vladimir Petrovsky told reporters in Moscow that the Kremlin felt indignation and regret at "hostile" remarks made by Reagan on Tuesday, adding that their timing could not be seen as accidental.

Only a week before U.S. Secretary of State George Shultz was due to discuss new ideas on medium-range missiles with Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze in Moscow it seemed "some people in Washington" were unhappy about the prospects for improved Soviet-U.S. relations, he said.

"So they are working up a psychosis in a bid to poison the atmosphere in which Soviet-American talks are to be held," Petrovksy said.

Petrovsky dismissed what he called the "escapades" of the Marines as an invention and dodged reporters' questions on the bugging, saying that they should turn their attention instead to the activities of the U.S. secret services in the Soviet Union.

He promised that "concrete evidence and materials" on this subject would be produced at a press conference today.

Analysts said the war of words could create an uneasy atmosphere for the Shultz-Shevardnadze talks from April 13 to 16.

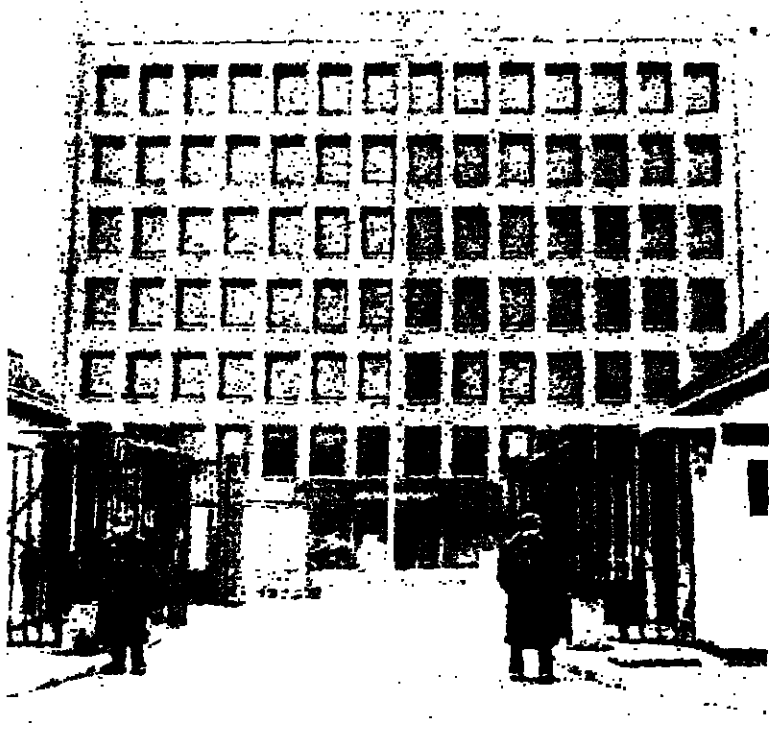
Petrovsky, however, tempered his angry words with assurances that the Soviet Union was serious about the meeting.

The new U.S. ambassador to Moscow Jack Matlock delivered a protest to the Foreign Ministry on Tuesday over alleged Soviet involvement in the embassy security crisis.

Reagan on Tuesday told reporters that he was ordering a thorough security review at the U.S. embassy in Moscow following the arrest of two Marine guards said to have been enticed by Soviet women into giving away secrets and following indications that a new wing of the mission may have been bugged.

The president said that Soviet diplomats would not be allowed to move into a new embassy in Washington until the U.S. Moscow mission was made secure.

Soviet diplomats have used their new embassy complex on a Washington hilltop to gather intelligence since 1979, according to U.S. officials. The residential buildings on the Soviet complex have been occupied by the Russians for eight years.



IS IT BUGGED? – Two Soviet guards stand at the gates of the new U.S. embassy in Moscow which is under construction. (Reuter)

The white marble chancery, or office building, sits atop Mount Alto, one of the capital's highest hills, and is visible throughout much of the city.

Espionage experts say that vantage allows the Soviets to train sensitive antennas at microwave communications channels used by the White House, the Pentagon, the CIA and other key American offices.

Republican representatives Richard Armey, Jim Courter and William Broomfield on Tuesday introduced bills designed to abrogate the 1969 agreement under which the Soviets were allowed to build their embassy complex.

Republican representative Henry Hyde said he would ask the House of Representatives Intelligence Committee, of which he is a member, to hold hearings on whether the Soviets should be forced to vacate the residential buildings they have occupied on Mount Alto since 1979.

Two members of Congress looking into the U.S. embassy security scandal have blasted top people for resisting tighter protection measures and said the mission might never be declared spy-free.

Embassy security in Moscow is "fundamentally flawed both in physical and personnel areas," concluded Congressman Dan Mica and Congresswoman Olympia Snowe, of the House of Representatives Foreign Affairs Committee, who spoke to reporters in Moscow.

Their report called for a worldwide overhaul of measures taken to protect U.S. diplomatic missions from espionage.

They said on Tuesday a new $191 million embassy complex being built in Moscow would take at least five more years to make secure, and did not rule out that it might have to be destroyed because it was ridden with KGB bugging devices.

Mubarak likely to face call for cooling ties with Israel

CAIRO (Reuter). – Egypt emerged from parliamentary elections yesterday with President Hosni Mubarak's party still securely in power but with opposition interest likely to shift to implementing Islamic law and cooling Cairo's relations with Israel.

With results still coming in after Monday's polling, Mubarak's National Democratic Party (NDP) had won at least 70 to 75 per cent of the vote and was set to retain a crushing two-thirds majority in the 458-member People's Assembly.

The NDP suffered a setback, however, when the Minister of Military Production, Gamal Sayed Ibrahim, became the first cabinet member to fail to win his seat, losing to a member of the opposition Moslem Brotherhood.

Officials said the alliance of the Socialist Labour Party (SLP), the Liberal Party and the officially-banned Moslem Brotherhood had cornered 10 to 15 per cent of the vote.

The New Wafd, a centre-right pro-business party and formerly the dominant opposition group, was reported struggling for the minimum eight per cent needed to take up seats.

After the new Assembly meets on April 22, opposition alliance partners are likely to demand steps towards inplementing Sharia (Islamic law) and cancellation of Egypt's 1979 peace treaty with Israel.

But their strength in the single-chamber legislature will not be enough to change official policy.

The Brotherhood, banned from political life since 1954 but tolerated by the government, held eight seats in the previous house under the Wafd ticket and are expected to take more this time since they form 40 per cent of the Socialist Labour Party (SLP) candidate lists. The SLP, with about 67 seats, is expected to form the biggest opposition group in the Assembly.

"Our programme includes implementing Sharia," SLP leader Ibrahim Shukri told Reuters before the elections.

Shukri also wants the Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty cancelled.

Brotherhood supporters, who share his views, often chant in political rallies: "No God but one and Israel is God's enemy."

"Israel is hostile to us whether before or after the treaty," said Shukri. The Wafd has not opposed the treaty, but has called on Israel to live up to its commitments.

Syrian troops deploy to relieve residents in second besieged camp

BEIRUT (Reuter). – Hundreds of Syrian troops deployed yesterday at a second Palestinian refugee settlement in Beirut in a further move to end Lebanon's long-running camps war.

More than 300 soldiers fanned out to eight positions in and around Bourj al-Barajneh camp, giving them effective control of the devastated settlement.

Bearded Palestinian fighters in the camp, faces strained by fatigue, embraced Syrian officers.

"We are happy with the Syrian deployment. We are all brothers. We will have peace and be able to pick up our lives and fight the real enemy (Israel)," said one fighter.

On Tuesday some 70 Syrian soldiers took positions in nearby Shatilla camp.

Twenty-three wounded people were evacuated from the camp and hundreds of women and children were also allowed to leave Shatilla to go shopping for the first time since the Shi'ite Amal militia laid siege to the camps in October.

Reuter correspondent Marwan Naamani said most of Bourj al-Barajneh's 12,000 residents looked pale and haggard as they emerged from darkened shelters and shell-pocked houses. Almost every house was marked by bullets and most were in ruins.

"You thought we were lying. I myself ate a rat," said a 13-year-old boy, referring to reports by foreign medical workers that refugees had eaten cats, dogs, mules and rats to stay alive.

In the hills east of Sidon, police said the first battles in weeks between Amal and Palestinians loyal to PLO chief Yasser Arafat subsided yesterday into sporadic sniping. They had no word on casualites.

The fighting near Sidon flared hours after more than 20 Syrian soldiers escorted a convoy of five Amal trucks carrying weapons and ammunition to Tyre. The Syrians then returned to Beirut.

It was the first Amal convoy to drive to the south since Arafat's men gained control of the villages overlooking the highway.

Conflicting claims over new offensive

Iranian doubts on military action

TEHERAN. – Iran's new offensive east of the key Iraqi southern port city of Basra was spurred by the view among some Iranian leaders that military action could trigger the downfall of the Iraqi government, according to diplomatic sources here.

However, others in the Iranian establishment, argue that the relatively minor military and political achievements of three previous Iranian offensives suggest that means other than war are needed to force Iraqi President Saddam Hussein to step down.

Iran and Iraq continued to make conflicting victory claims yesterday as a major battle raged east of Basra on the second day of the Iranian offensive against the city.

Iraq claimed that it had repelled an Iranian attack near Basra. Iranian troops had suffered "heavy losses" of men and equipment and had retreated, the official Iraqi News Agency claimed. However an Iraqi communique admitted that Iranian forces succeeded in capturing and holding some positions from Iraqi troops.

A Teheran report says that the Iranian Air Force had flown 250 missions to support ground troops taking part in the latest offensive. It said "hundreds" of Iraqi soldiers had been killed or wounded on Tuesday night.

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Gorbachev visit to Prague stirs '68 memories

PRAGUE (AP). – Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev, who delayed a visit to Czechoslovakia this week because of a reported cold, has recovered and will arrive in Prague today, a Soviet spokesman said.

Czech Deputy Foreign Minister Roman Narozny touched off fierce speculation when he announced on Sunday that Gorbachev's trip was postponed because the Soviet leader had a "slight cold."

The visit has raised hopes among many Czechs that Gorbachev can persuade their conservative Communist leadership to embrace some of the reforms the Soviet leader has introduced in two years in the Kremlin.

Gorbachev's host, President and party leader Gustav Husak, was installed in 1969 following the August 1968 Warsaw Pact invasion that crushed the reforms attempted in Czechoslovakia by ousted party leader Alexander Dubcek.

Under Husak, many Czechs who resented the 1968 invasion have withdrawn into the private sphere, shutting out a society stripped of the political and cultural freedom of the period popularly known as Dubcek's "Prague Spring."

Religious activists and human rights advocates have been harassed and jailed, and state-sanctioned culture granted little freedom of expression.

Gorbachev's limited reforms in the Soviet Union have caused renewed interest in politics among government critics and ordinary citizens in Czechoslovakia.

"Twenty years ago, the people were engaged in society," said dissident playwright Vaclav Havel." And for 20 years they have been persecuted for it. They (Czechs) are not ready to do anything. But, for the first time, they are interested again."

Even government critics report taking out new subscriptions to Soviet newspapers to keep up with developments in Moscow.

Czechoslovakia's official newspapers have received thousands of letters in advance of the Soviet leader's visit. Several have been printed, with journalists answering questions on topics such as Gorbachev's proposal to introduce secret ballots at Soviet Communist Party Elections.

Despite the popular enthusiasm and the lavish official welcome planned for Gorbachev, Husak and his leadership have reason to approach the visit with caution.

The debates sparked by the Kremlin's recent reforms have led to an unprecedented public split between members of the ruling Czechoslovak Politburo.

In a speech on March 18, Husak expressed support for the reforms. But he also made it clear that the Prague leadership will not hasten to follow Gorbachev into giving greater freedom to the arts, bringing selected openness to the media or pushing for secret party ballots.

A newly-devised automatic home bakery has gone on sale in Japan. It costs the equivalent of about $250. (AFP)

New flare-up in Ulster

BELFAST (AP). – Police and mourners clashed with batons and fists yesterday during a funeral procession for a slain Irish Republican Army gunman.

The funeral, twice postponed this week because of similar clashes, followed a night of violence in which gunmen wounded two British soldiers and Roman Catholic youths hurled gasoline bombs at troops and police.

Tension was high as police prepared Wednesday to intervene for a third time to stop the outlawed IRA making a show of force at the funeral of 41-year-old Laurence Marley.

Marley was killed by gunmen on his doorstep last week.

As the cortege left the Marley home in the predominantly Catholic Ardoyne district of Belfast, some of the 2,000 mourners along the route hit and kicked policemen who formed a cordon around them. The officers hit back with their truncheons.

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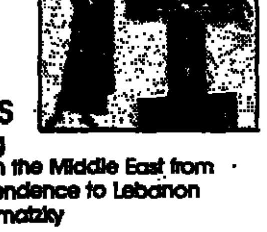

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FOREIGN BRIEFS

France plans to boost N-force

PARIS (Reuter). – Prime Minister Jacques Chirac, warning of the dangers of a Europe without nuclear weapons, yesterday presented plans for a major modernisation of France's nuclear strike force.

In an address to parliament, Chirac unveiled a five-year military spending plan which calls for France to lay out 474 billion francs ($77.5 billion) on arms procurement.

The plan, which allocates 32 per cent of the total to nuclear weapons, provides for development of three new missiles and the upgrading of France's strategic submarine fleet.

Italy's 45th postwar government falls

ROME (Reuter). – The majority Christian Democrats yesterday forced the collapse of Italy's 45th government since World War II by withdrawing their ministers, who make up more than half the 30-member coalition cabinet.

Deputy Prime Minister Arnaldo Forlani told reporters he had handed a letter of resignation by his party's ministers to the office of Socialist Prime Minister Bettino Craxi. Political sources said the withdrawal of a majority of the government's ministers meant the final collapse of the administration.

Aquino reprieves 528 death-row inmates

MANILA (Reuter). – President Corazon Aquino commuted sentences yesterday on the Philippines' 528 death-row inmates.

Justice Secretary Sedfrey Ordonez said Aquino ordered the death sentences commuted to life imprisonment in compliance with a death-penalty ban in the country's new constitution.

Divers find 83 bodies of ferry victims

ZEEBRUGGE, Belgium (Reuter). – Divers have recovered 83 bodies from the mud-filled wreck of a British car ferry off the Belgian coast and more were expected to be found. A Belgian official said yesterday.

Sixty-three bodies were recovered in overnight operations from the 7,951-ton Herald of Free Enterprise, which flooded and crashed onto its port side last month.

The latest discoveries take to 144 the provisional death toll in the March 6 disaster.

U.S. army defector hails USSR's 'freedom'

MOSCOW (Reuter). – An American soldier who defected to the Soviet Union was quoted yesterday as saying that in his new country he had the chance to be a man while in the U.S. human rights were flouted and people became like robots.

Wade Roberts, granted political asylum earlier this month along with his West German girlfriend Petra Neumann, said he still loved his country but wanted to protest at the violation of human rights there. As for his new home, he said he had never met so many kind and altruistic people as in the Soviet Union.

Transkei PM says he is still in control

JOHANNESBURG (Reuter). – Prime Minister George Matanzima said he was still in charge in the South African tribal homeland of Transkei amid rumours of a coup and an army mutiny.

"I am still in control," Matanzima told reporters on Monday after meeting other leaders of Transkei, which is one of the 10 homelands established by South Africa under apartheid racial segregation.

Soviet hockey team sells advertising space

STOCKHOLM (Reuter). – The Soviet Union's national ice hockey team have carried advertisements on their jerseys for the first time, and a Soviet sports official said more advertising contracts could be signed with Western firms.

Soviet athletes would be happy to carry Western advertising on their uniforms as long as the slogans were not political or for tobacco, drugs, alcohol or pornography, Anatoly Kostryukov, head of the Soviet State Sports Committee's ice hockey section said.

British Conservative MP charged with indecency

LONDON (Reuter). – A member of Britain's ruling Conservative Party, who has been under investigation for alleged spanking sessions with male prostitutes was charged by police last night with four offences of gross indecency. Harvey Proctor, MP for Billericay, in Eastern England, was released on bail.

The 40-year-old bachelor has consistently denied the allegations.

Gay rights man loses in Frisco

NEW YORK (AP). – Chicago Mayor Harold Washington handily won re-election, while in San Francisco, Democrat Nancy Pelosi put herself within one easy step of a congressional seat by defeating an openly homosexual city supervisor.

Elsewhere, voters in Kansas City, Kansas, yesterday ousted their mayor two months after he received a heart transplant. In the state of Wisconsin, residents approved a state-run lottery and race-track betting.

Pelosi was the top vote-getter in the open congressional primary for the seat of the late representative Sala Burton. She defeated Democratic supervisor Harry Britt, a gay rights activist, who came in second. Because she did not win a majority, Pelosi must face four independents and a Republican in a runoff June 2 in the overwhelmingly Democratic district.

Gay activists had hoped a victory by Britt would boost prospects for more Aids research funding.

Washington, Chicago's first black mayor, defeated his archrival, former alderman Edward Vrdolyak, to become the city's first mayor since Richard Daley to win re-election.

Chicago voters also approved a bilateral nuclear test ban in which the U.S. and Soviet Union would agree to "an immediate and verifiable end to nuclear warhead testing."

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Coetzee advises well-chosen pressure on South Africa

By ANDY COURT
For The Jerusalem Post

J.M. Coetzee, the South African writer who will receive the Jerusalem Prize for Literature tonight, said yesterday that Israel's recent sanctions against South Africa were "an important signal," but that countries should not sever all ties with the apartheid regime.

"I think pressure should be exercised," Coetzee said at a press conference in Jerusalem's Beit Agron. "But I think it would be unfortunate if pressure were exercised in such a way that the power and the ability of Western countries to exercise pressure were cut off by their own acts."

However, he does not support the idea of foreign governments pumping money into South Africa to encourage black entrepreneurs and help create a black middle class. "It might have been a constructive step a couple of decades ago," he said. "I don't know that it will achieve anything right now."

Coetzee said he did not consider himself a "protest" writer – or even a "white" writer necessarily.

"The time of protest writing is over, and has been over for several years," he said. "My own writing tends to be analytical about the historical process that has led to the state of affairs that exists today."

When one reporter asked how he, as a white South African, prepared himself to write in the voice of a black character, Michael K., he said that he had some trouble with the question.

"I'm not sure that Michael K. is black, just as I'm not sure that I am white," Coetzee said. "These are cultural identitites that are imposed upon people, that they may or may not freely accept... I'm not sure I would want to accept being defined as a white writer, just like that."

While Coetzee's critics may accuse him of talking too obliquely about apartheid, his admirers would no doubt counter that his remarks reflect the perception and universality of his work. But he was very clear about the "demoralizing" effects of apartheid on South Africans.

"I think it comes to children as a moment of profound shock in their personal and psychological development at the moment they realize there are two kinds of people in the world," he said.

He did not present a particularly encouraging view of the writer's ability to change political reality. Television, radio, and newspapers have a much more immediate impact, he said. A book usually takes years to appear and its influence can only be assessed much later, he said.

Asked who he hoped to influence with his writing, he replied, "I think it is a profound mistake for a writer to sit down and write with the object of influencing someone. The writer's primary duty when he is writing is to his subject."

Jerusalem Mayor Teddy Kollek will present Coetzee with his $5,000 prize at 9 tonight at the International Book Fair.

Coetzee's books include *Waiting for the Barbarians*, *Life and Times of Michael K.*, and most recently *Foe*. Three Israeli judges – Prof. Shlomo Avineri, writer Amos Elon, and poet Yehuda Amichai – chose Coetzee for the prize in December. Previous winners include Milan Kundera, Bertrand Russell, V.S. Naipaul, and Eugene Ionesco.

J.M. Coetzee with his prize-winning book at the Am Oved stand at the Book Fair in Jerusalem yesterday. (Brian Hendler)

Pro-Israel Unifil men 'neutral' after service

By BENNY MORRIS
Post Diplomatic Correspondent

OSLO. – Norway's contingent of Unifil soldiers arrived in South Lebanon feeling by and large pro-Israeli, and returned to Norway with a far more "balanced, neutral" view of the Middle East conflict.

This is the finding of a poll taken recently of the views of 680 Norwegian Unifil veterans.

The poll, published here last week in the army bi-weekly, *Forszarets Forum* found that neutral or anti-Israeli feelings increased with the seniority of rank of those questioned.

Senior Defence Ministry officials here pointed out that each Unifil soldier has five close relatives and 25 other relatives and friends "who are no doubt influenced by his views."

This means, said the official, that given the small population of the country (4 million), the veterans' views on the Middle East conflict have a major effect on Norwegian public opinion.

Some 18,000 Norwegians have served in Unifil since its inception in 1978.

The poll, carried out by Defence Ministry men, found that 49 per cent of the troops arrived in South Lebanon pro-Israeli, 47 per cent neutral, and 4 per cent sympathetic to the Arab states.

On leaving Lebanon, only 11 per cent said they favoured Israel, 57 per cent were neutral, and 21 per cent favoured the Arab states.

Commenting on the statistics, a prominent retired soldier, Major-General Arne Haugan, said that service in South Lebanon in Unifil resulted in anti-Israeli attitudes. He compared this with Norwegian UN service in the Gaza Strip in 1956-57, when, he maintained, the troops had returned with pro-Israeli attitudes.

Norwegian Foreign Minister Thorvald Stoltenberg said Norway felt that Unifil should be allowed to fulfil its mandate and that Israel was preventing this. He was referring to the UN demand that Unifil be allowed to deploy southwards to the international border and that the South Lebanese Army be disbanded.

Israeli Aids drug creates black market in U.S.

REHOVOT (Itim). – The U.S. Food and Drug Administration has shortened the approval process for an Israeli-invented Aids medicine, but a black market has already developed for the drug in America, one of the inventors said here this week.

Dr. Meir Shinitzky of the Weizmann Institute said the FDA was expected to give approval in seven weeks for experimental use of the drug, AL721, on humans. Public pressure had convinced the agency to skip lengthy tests.

Shinitzky and fellow Weizmann Institute Professor David Samuel invented the drug, using fatty particles from egg yolks.

Shinitzky said a black market for AL721 had developed in the U.S. after a gay newspaper in San Francisco published instructions on how to make it. Other newspapers had picked up the story, he said, and bootleggers had begun producing it in their kitchens and selling it to desperate Aids victims.

A doctor who used AL721 to treat an American Aids patient in Israel said recently that the drug had brought about an improvement in his condition. But it has not been shown to be a cure, he said.

INDECENT. – An employee of Rothschild Hospital in Haifa, Saruji Mehrav, was sent to jail for nine months yesterday for impersonating a doctor and performing an indecent act on a 16-year-old female patient.

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'Help families care for mental cases'

By LEA LEVAVI
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV. – Professional help for families caring for mental patients – and the support the families give the patients themselves – can make the difference between relapse and rehabilitation.

Dr. Julian Leff, a psychiatrist with Britain's Medical Research Council, yesterday discussed the role the family plays in treating mental patients in a lecture to Enosh – the Israel Mental Health Association – at its headquarters in Ramat Hasharon.

In an interview with *The Jerusalem Post*, he said that until recently mental health professionals had "banished" the family from the patient's treatment in the belief that the illness was the family's fault and that the best thing families could do was keep out of the patient's life. "As a result, we have had to provide substitute families," he said. "That's what we're doing when we open homes in the community and staff them with nurses, social workers and doctors – and it's awfully expensive."

As common sense would indicate, Leff's research with several dozen families of schizophrenics has shown that patients living with warm, supportive families do better than patients living with relatives who are cool and distant.

There is an additional point, however, which might not be so apparent: families who are over-involved and "live the patient's life for him" do even more harm than those who are cool and distant.

A typical example could be the mother who – distraught at the deterioration in her son's personal hygiene (which is a common occurrence with schizophrenics) – washes his clothes for him, or even bathes him.

"Both the patient and the mother could enjoy this very much," he said. "The mother feels needed again, and the patient likes being treated like a baby. The trouble is that it increases the patient's dependence. Also, the mental illness is an "invasion" of his mind by strangers (unbidden thoughts, hallucinatory voices, etc.), and when the mother 'invades' the patient's physical and emotional space as well, it aggravates the condition."

Leff and his research team contact families as soon as they come to mental health professionals for help. Often, doctors and other staff don't provide enough information, or families simply don't ask because they are intimidated. The researchers provide information, with unlimited time for questions. Families are also invited to group sessions with other families – without the patients – where problems and feelings can be discussed freely.

Family therapy at home, which includes the patient, improves communication and coping. For example, in the case of a patient who refuses to wash his clothes or have a bath, the solution could be an agreement that he will do these things once a week – with the relatives tolerating even a poor job, rather than taking over the task themselves.

Enosh provides support to families, Leff said. "The help we have given families in England has lowered the relapse rate significantly, from 50 per cent to less than 10 per cent. That should give people [here] hope."

New safety features on all new cars

All 1988 model cars will be required to have rear fog lights, and all passenger vehicles must be equipped with safety steering wheels that collapse in the event of a head-on collision, the Transport Ministry announced yesterday. These are included in a list of safety features which the ministry issues each year to car importers.

All new heavy vehicles will be required to have an electric or hydraulic "retarder" to help control the vehicle's speed on steep declines.

Most of Lavi electronics gear 'Made in Israel'

TEL AVIV (Itim). – Most of the electronic equipment in the Lavi fighter plane is being manufactured in Israel, an IDF officer yesterday told the 15th conference of electrical and electronic engineers in Tel Aviv.

Pop star due here in September

By GILEAD LIMOR
For The Jerusalem Post

British pop star David Bowie is to arrive in Israel for one performance at Tel Aviv's Park Hayarkon, on September 30. Tourism Ministry Director-General Rafi Ferber confirmed Tuesday that an agreement has already been signed with Bowie's manager concerning the performance.

Bowie – a composer, producer, singer, guitarist and actor – gained fame in 1969 with his first major hit single, "Space Oddity."

Since then Bowie has released many top-selling albums, including *Young Americans*, *Station to Station* and *Heroes*.

As an actor, Bowie has starred in several plays and films. He has also succeeded in making a multi-media show out of each concert performance, which usually features exotic garments and hair styles.

David Bowie

The pastor's private finds

By JUDY SIEGEL
Post Science and Health Reporter

A rare collection of dried plant specimens collected over several decades by a Swedish pastor has been donated to the Hebrew University's botany department. The department already houses the largest collection of flora in the Middle East.

Dr. Nils Johansson, a Swedish clergyman who visited Israel in 1958, remembered the warm reception he enjoyed here and bequeathed his unusual collection to the university. For years he was spiritual leader of the city of Linkoeping, 200 kilometres south of Stockholm. His collection contains specimens of almost every seed-bearing species in Sweden.

Johansson died recently and his son sent the collection to Jerusalem in terms of the will. The collection comprises 16,000 sheets, to which specimens of cuttings from trees, bushes and grasses were carefully glued.

Some of the species in the collection have since become extinct. The legacy as a whole adds a new region to the university's existing collection and will be of great value in botanical research here and throughout the Middle East.

Johansson, in his will, said he intended the gift as an expression of friendship for the people and government of Israel.

The Hebrew University's collection of flora now contains about half a million pages of specimens.

Shas takes a holiday break

By HAIM SHAPIRO

The Shas Party will make no move to leave the coalition until after Pessah, despite the Shas Executive's decision to leave and former interior minister Yitzhak Peretz's repeated attacks on the Likud.

A Shas spokesman said this week that the Council of Tora Sages, which has the last word on all party decisions, would only meet after the holiday to decide on its "recommendation."

But the spokesman repeated the criticisms by Peretz of the efforts of MK Ronni Milo to find a way to identify non-Orthodox converts.

Milo's attempt to have the Knesset Law Committee approve a regulation to record all converts (Orthodox and non-Orthodox) as converts in the Population Registry, failed even before the committee met this week.

Among the staunchest opponents were members of the National Religious Party, who, following a ruling of the chief rabbis, objected to the lumping together of Orthodox and non-Orthodox converts, as well as to any "solution" that involved describing non-Orthodox converts as Jews.

The Shas spokesman was sceptical about the talks between Transport Minister Haim Corfu (Likud) and Energy Minister Moshe Shahal (Alignment) to reach a "compromise" over the issue, but said the talks would continue until the Council of Tora Sages met.

Two heroin smugglers get prison terms

TEL AVIV (Itim). – Yossi Ezra, 33, was convicted on three counts of bringing heroin into the country and sentenced to seven years imprisonment in the district court here yesterday.

His partner, 52-year-old Zaki Nahum, was convicted on one count and sentenced to four years in prison.

TODAY'S ENTERTAINMENT

TELEVISION

EDUCATIONAL TV

9.00 Teletext **9.05** Keep Fit **9.15** Surprise Train **9.35** Gymnastics **10.00** Jack Holborne (part 5) **10.50** Isis (part 5) **11.10** Spirit Bay (part 5) **11.35** Portrait of Bela Bartok **14.00** Teletext **14.03** Keep Fit **14.15** Family Problems (repeat) **15.00** Tau Tau **15.25** Rehov Sumsum **16.00** Keep Fit **16.10** Mrs. Pepperpot – animated film **16.30** The Demjanjuk Trial **17.00** A New Evening – live magazine

ISRAEL TV

CHILDREN'S PROGRAMMES
17.30 Children's Problems
18.00 The Campbells
18.25 A look at Yeroham
ARABIC-LANGUAGE PROGRAMMES
18.30 News roundup
18.32 TV Magazine
19.00 Meeting – current affairs
19.30 News
HEBREW PROGRAMMES resume at
20.00 with a news roundup
20.02 Safari with Julian Joy Chagrin
20.30 Basketball – live broadcast from Yad Eliahu of the National Cup Final
21.00 Mabat Newsreel
21.30 Basketball – second half
22.15 Current Affairs Magazine
22.55 Sword of Gideon, part 3 of a 3-part Canadian French drama, based on George Jonas's bestseller about the *Mossad*. Starring Michael York, Colleen Dewhurst and Rod Steiger
23.55 Language Corner, introduced by Avshalom Kor, and News

JORDAN TV (unofficial):

16.30 Cartoons **17.00** French Hour **18.30** News in Hebrew **19.00** News in Arabic **19.30** Me & My Girl **20.10** The Last Frontier **21.00** News in English **21.20** Feature film

MIDDLE EAST TV

13.30 Another Life **14.00** 700 Club **14.30** Shape-Up **15.00** Afternoon Movie: The Last Sunset **16.30** Muppet Babies **17.00** Flying House **17.30** Muppets **18.00** The Jeffersons **18.30** Doc **19.00** News **20.00** Hardcastle & McCormick **21.00** Facts of Life **21.30** Newhart **22.00** Moonlighting **23.00** 700 Club

RADIO

VOICE OF MUSIC

6.02 Morning Melodies **7.09** Dvorak: Serenade Op. 22 (St. Martin/Marriner); Berlioz: Waverley (National Scottish/Gibson); Delius: La Calinda; Schumann: Introduction, Scherzo and Finale Op. 52 (Stuttgart Radio/Marriner) **9.00** Sibelius: Finlandia (Philadelphia Choir and Orchetra/Ormandy), Suite from "Pelleas et Melisande" (Jarvi), Violin Concerto (Fontanarosa, French National/Talmi), "Tapiola" (Finland Radio/Berglund) **12.00** Bach: French Overture; Beethoven: Sonata for Violin and Piano, "Kreutzer" (Pianka, Zak) **13.05** Corrette: Concerto comique, No. 25 (Cologne Musica Antiqua); L. Mozart: "Peasant Wedding"; Weber: Andante and Hungarian Rondo for Viola and Orchestra (Zukerman, English Chamber); Strauss: 2 Polkas; Paganini: Variations on a comic theme (Accardo, European Chamber/Tamponi); Tchaikovsky: "Nutcracker", excerpts (Baltimore/Comissiona) **15.00** Encounters **16.00** Emanuel Gruber, cello, Elyakum Saltzman, violin – Bach: Suite No. 1; Ravel: Duo for Violin and Cello; Kodaly: Sonata for Cello Op. 8 **17.30** Haydn: Trio Op. 53, No. 1 (Grumiaux), Piano Sonata in D major (Buchbinder), Sonata for Violin and Viola in A major **18.00** Music Anthology **19.00** Light Classical Music **20.05** Musical Medley **20.30** Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra under Mendi Rodan with Ilana Vered, piano – Berlioz: "Carnaval Romain" Overture; Beethoven: Piano Concerto No. 5; Brahms: Symphony No. 4 **23.00** "Golden Generation" – Verdi: "Otello", end of Act 2 and Act 3 (Metropolitan Choir and Orchestra/Panizza)

RADIO 1st

6.03 Programmes for Olim **7.30** Programme in Easy Hebrew **8.05** Compass – with Benny Hendel **8.27** The Demjanjuk Trial – live broadcast **15.00** Children's programmes **15.30** Education for all **16.05** An Unknown Land **17.00** News in English **17.30** News in French **18.06** Jewish Traditions **19.05** Lesson in *Tania* **19.20** Bible Reading **19.30** Programmes for Olim **22.06** I Have a Dream

RADIO 2nd

6.12 Gymnastics **6.30** Editorial Review **6.53** Green Light – drivers' corner **7.00** This Morning – news magazine **8.05** Making an Issue **9.05** Children's programme **10.05** All Shades of the Network – morning magazine **11.30** Safe Journey **12.10** O.K. on Two **13.00** Midday – news commentary, music **14.06** Culture and Arts Magazine **14.30** Humour **15.05** Magic Moments **16.05** Hebrew songs **17.05** Economics Magazine **18.06** Spotlight **18.45** Today in Sport **19.05** Today – radio newsreel **19.35** This Week in the Knesset **20.10** Hebrew songs **20.30** Basketball – live broadcast from Yad Eliahu of the National Cup Final **22.30** Another Place **23.05** Between Ourselves

ARMY

6.05 University on the Air **6.30** Open Your Eyes – songs, information **7.07** "707" – with Alex Ansky **8.00** Good Morning Israel **9.05** In the Morning **10.05** Coffee Break **11.05** Right Now – with Yossi Abadi **13.05** Good Place in the Centre **15.05** What's Doing – with Erez Tal **16.05** Four in the Afternoon **17.00** Evening Newsreel **18.05** Economics Magazine **19.05** Hebrew songs **20.05** Army and Defence Magazine (repeat) **21.00** Mabat – TV newsreel **21.30** University on the Air **22.05** Popular songs **23.05** The 24th Hour **00.05** Night Birds – songs, chat

ARMY TWO

19.05 Radio Radio – with Yoav Kutner **20.05** Information, regards and radio games for soldiers on duty **22.05** Popular songs **23.05** All That Jazz

CINEMA

JERUSALEM

Alliance Francaise: Un Sac de Billes 7; **Beit Agron:** Die Deutschmeister 4:30; The Never Ending Story 11:30 a.m.; Heidi 10 a.m.; The Outsiders 8; Danton 9:30; Goin' South 12 midnight; **Cinematheque:** The Savage Innocents 7; Le Notti Bianche 9 (small hall); Rear Window 9:30; Goldfinger 12 midnight; **Eden:** Big Gag 4:30, 7, 9; **Edison:** Three Amigos 4:30, 7, 9; American Ninja and Conan the Barbarian 10:30 a.m.; **Habira:** Orion's Belt 7:15, 9:15; **Israel Museum:** Niels Holgerson and the Wild Geese 10:30 a.m., 3:30; **Jerusalem Theatre:** Summer 6:45, 9:15; **Kfir:** Platoon 4:30, 7, 9:15; Karate Kid II & Miami Super Cop 10:30 a.m.; **Mitchell:** A Room With a View 7, 9:15; **Orgil:** The Color of Money 4:15, 6:45, 9:15; Snow White 10:30 a.m.; 2:30; **Orion Or 1:** Crocodile Dundee 4:30, 7, 9; **Orion Or 3:** Jumpin' Jack Flash 4:30, 7, 9; Aliens 11:15 p.m.; **Orion Or 4:** Warning Sign 4:30, 7, 9; 1941 at 11:15 p.m.; **Orion Or 5:** Violets are Blue 4:30, 7, 9; Body Double 11:15 p.m.; **Orna:** Tough Guy 4:30, 7, 9; **Ron:** The Morning After 4:30, 7, 9; **Semadar:** Hannah and Her Sisters 7, 9:15.

TEL AVIV

Beit Liessin: Fearless Vampire Killers 11:15 p.m.; **Ben-Yehuda:** Big Gag 5, 7:15, 9:30; **Chen 1:** The Color of Money 4:45, 7:15, 9:45; Bambi 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30; **Chen 2:** Oxford Blues 7:30, 9:45; Sword in the Stone 10:30 a.m., 12:30; **Chen 3:** Soul Man 5, 7:35, 9:45; Blackbeard's Ghost 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30; **Chen 4:** Ruthless People 5, 7:20, 9:45; Aladdin and the Wonderful Lamp 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30; **Chen 5:** Joshua Then and Now 5, 7:30, 9:45; Lady and the Tramp 10:30 a.m., 12:30, 2:30; **Cinema One:** Firewalker 5, 7:15, 9:30; **Cinema Two:** Hannah and Her Sisters 5, 7:15, 9:30; **Dekel:** Crocodile Dundee 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Dizengoff 1:** Decline of the American Empire 11, 1:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40; **Dizengoff 2:** Mona Lisa 11, 1:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:40; **Dizengoff 3:** A Room With a View 11, 1:30; 4:45, 7:15, 9:40; **Drive-In:** Three Amigos 7:30, 9:30; Sex film 12 midnight; **Esther:** Tough Guys 5, 7:30, 9:45; **Gat:** Little Shop of Horrors 5, 7:15, 9:40; **New Gordon:** Aliens 4:30, 7, 9:30; **Hakolnoa ZOA House:** Smooth Talk (exc. Wed.); Blues Brothers 11:45; **Hod:** Three Amigos 4:30; 7, 9; Adieu Bonaparte 9:30; **Lev 1:** Tenue de Soiree 2, 5, 7:50, 9:50; **Lev 2:** Summer 2, 5, 7:40, 9:40; **Lev 3:** Choose Me 5, 7:30, 9:40; Orion's Belt 2; **Lev 4:** Mosquito Coast 2, 5, 7:15, 9:40; **Limor Hamehudash:** The Morning After 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Maxim:** The Rad 4:30, 7:30, 9:30; **Orly:** closed for renovations; **Paris:** Betty Blue, 37 Degrees in the Morning 11:45, 2, 4:15, 7, 9:30 (adults only); **Peer:** No Mercy 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Shahaf:** Platoon 4:15, 7, 9:30; **Sivan:** Everything You Wanted to Know About Sex 5, 7:30, 9:45 (exc. Tue.); Silent Movie midnight; **Tamuz Hamehudash:** Otto Der Film 7:30; Et la Tendresse? Bordel 9:40; Pink Floyd, The Wall 12 midnight; **Tchelet:** Round Midnight 4:30, 7, 9:35; **Tel Aviv:** Naked Cage 5, 7:15, 9:30; **Tel Aviv Museum:** Shoah (II) at 1; 40 Sq.M. Deutschland 7:30, 9:30; **Zafon:** Soon reopening with "The Name of the Rose"

HAIFA

Amphitheatre: Ninja, Dragon Fire 4:30, 7, 9:15; **Armon:** No Mercy 4:30, 6:45, 9; **Atzmon 1:** Three Amigos 4:30, 7, 9:15; **Atzmon 2:** St. Elmo's Fire 4:45, 7:15, 9:30; **Atzmon 3:** Opening Soon; **Chen Hamehudash:** Blue Velvet 4:30, 6:45, 9:15; **Keren Or Hamehudash:** Cal 4:30, 7, 9:15; Harold and Maude 11:30 p.m.; **Orah:** Platoon 4, 6:30, 9; **Orly:** Platoon 7, 9:15; **Peer:** Crocodile Dundee 4:30, 7, 9:15; **Rav-Gat 1:** The Color of Money 4:15, 6:45, 9:15; **Rav-Gat 2:** Soul Man 4:30, 7, 9:15; **Ron:** Naked Cage 4:30, 6:45, 9; **Shavit:** 9½ Weeks 7, 9.

RAMAT GAN

Armon: Super Grass 7:15, 9:30; **Lily:** Platoon 7:15, 9:30; Clan of the Cave Bear 4:30; **Oasis:** Tough Guys 7:25, 9:45; **Ordea:** Big Gag 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Rav-Gan 1:** Soul Man 5, 7:30, 9:45; **Rav-Gan 2:** Jumpin' Jack Flash 5, 7:25, 9:45; **Rav-Gan 3:** Off Beat 5, 7:20, 9:30; **Rav Gan 4:** Joshua Then and Now 5, 7:10, 9:40.

HERZLIYA

Dan Accadia: Dumbo 4; Ruthless People 7, 9:30; **Daniel Hotel:** Burmese Harp 7:15, 9:30 (exc. Wed.); **David:** Black Cauldron 11 a.m.; Three Amigos 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Hechal:** Killer Ninja 5, 7:15, 9:30; **New Tiferet:** Jumpin' Jack Flash 4:30, 7:15, 9:30.

HOLON

Armon Hamehudash: No Mercy 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; **Migdal:** The Color of Money 7:15, 9:40; **Savoy:** Platoon 4:30, 7, 9:30; Woodstock 11:30 p.m..

BAT YAM

Atzmaut: Hannah and Her Sisters 5, 7:15, 9:30.

GIVATAYIM

Hadar: Three Amigos 5, 7:15, 9:30.

RAMAT HASHARON

Kochav: Detective School Dropouts 7; Short Circuit 4; Hannah and Her Sisters 9:30 p.m.

PETAH TIKVA

G.G. Hechal 1: Three Amigos 5, 7:15, 9:30; Fantasia 11 a.m.; **G.G. Hechal 2:** Platoon 4:15, 7, 9:30; Rumpelstiltskin 11 a.m.; **G.G. Hechal 3:** The Fly 7:15, 9:30; Firewalker 11 a.m.; Fantasia 5

RISHON LEZION

G.G. Ron 1: Platoon 4:30, 7, 9:30; Pete's Dragon 11 a.m.; **G.G. Ron 2:** Crocodile Dundee 4:30, 7:15, 9:30; Rumpelstiltskin 11 a.m.

WHAT'S ON

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JERUSALEM

Museums

ISRAEL MUSEUM. Exhibitions: The Supreme Court Building, Jerusalem. 1986 competition documentation ◊ Honore Daumier, Armand Hammer Collection ◊ News in Antiquities 87 ◊ Unveiling Picasso, exhibit of Museum's restoration process ◊ Ancient Masks and Rattles, special Purim and general exhibit, from Neolithic to Roman periods (Rockefeller) ◊ Felix Nussbaum (1904-1944), artist who perished in Holocaust ◊ "From Dudu to 3D," Meet an Israeli Artist, David Gerstein ◊ Artists Quoting Artists ◊ Tamara Rikman: The Bewitched Shore, tempera and lacquer paintings of Givat Aliya-Jaffa ◊ Yehezkel Streichman, comprehensive show of oils, 1940's to present ◊ New York Now, 6 New Generation New York City Artists ◊ Animals in Ancient Art (Rockefeller) ◊ Ancient Glass Exhibit ◊ Illustrations in Modelling Clay, book illustrating by Rony Oren ◊ Islamic Art (Paley Centre, opp. Rockefeller) ◊ Permanent exhibitions of Archeology, Judaica and Ethnic Art.

VISITING HOURS: Main Museum 10-5. 10:30 & 3:30 Children's film, "Niels Holgerson and the Wild Geese". 4: Picture Books, Puppets and Songs for children, 3-6, in English.

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TEL AVIV

Museums

TEL AVIV MUSEUM. New Exhibitions: Alexander Archipenko, A Centennial Tribute, 50 sculptures, sculpto-paintings and drawings. Oskar Kokoschka, 1886-1980. Selection of Prints and Albums. Trends in Geometric Abstract Art ◊ Edvard Munch, prints: Death, Love and Anxiety ◊ Special Exhibit: Erich Mendelson Centenary. Drawing from 1920's and 1930's. VISITING HOURS: Sun.-Thur. 10-2, 5-9. Sat. 11-2, 7-10; Fri. closed. **Helena Rubinstein Pavilion: New Exhibition:** Gilberto Zorio of Arte Povera Movement in Italy. **Visiting Hours:** Sun.-Thur. 10-2; 5-9. Sat. 11-2; 7-10 Fri. closed.

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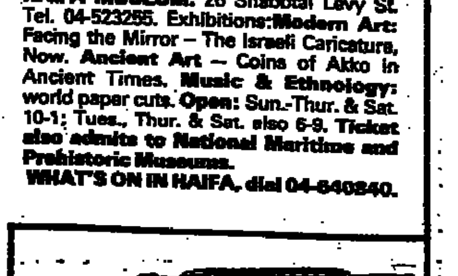

A poetic philosophy

Sraya Shapiro

ITTAMAR YAOZ-KEST is a poet by vocation, a publisher by accident, and a philosopher through a compelling urge to view the maze of Jewish existence in this country with some clarity.

He was born in Hungary and spent his early childhood in Budapest. "And then it was Bergen-Belsen. Perhaps it was because my father was a doctor that he was allowed to keep his family with him. Nobody knows how the Nazi brain worked. Had the Americans been one day late in freeing the camp, we would have been destroyed with most of its other inmates."

Having survived, the family eventually reached Israel. Ittamar, who had learned some Hebrew in childhood, graduated from the secondary school in Netanya. And he wrote poems.

"My father was a bibliophile: and I, too love the well-printed book." The first two publications sponsored by his company, Eked, nearly 30 years ago, were Japanese poems (in Hebrew) and a selection of Hungarian Jewish poets.

"That turned out to be an indication of our trend all those years: pure estheticism and Jewish heritage." Eked's trademark is synonymous with beautiful printing on good quality paper and a pleasing lay out. It is, in fact, the product of a joint effort by Yaoz-Kest and his sister Maritsa Rosman. It is hardly a lucrative enterprise: many of Eked's publications are books of poems by young and little-known authors, some of whom have acquired a reputation over the years.

Ittamar Yaoz-Kest: only Hebrew literature can preserves our national identity. (Shapiro)

Yaoz-Kest thinks of himself too, principally as a poet. His preoccupation with perennial issues is that of a poet, not of a politician. He is deeply perturbed by the fact that so large a portion of contemporary Hebrew poets and story-tellers court internationalism and declare themselves citizens of the world. Having passed through the trauma of near-death just because he was born a Jew, Yaoz-Kest is bewildered to find so little determination to maintain the Jewish heritage among many of his fellow-poets.

The affinity between the Jewish people and Eretz Yisrael is "mystical", Yaoz-Kest asserts. Failing to understand this leaves a Jew in limbo and the existence of the Jewish people in jeopardy. To stress his point, he calls the volume which he published recently in order to elucidate his views: *Sefira*, a reference to the teachings of the Zohar, the central work of the kabbala.

"I used to back the idea of an Arab state alongside Israel, in the hope of preserving the Jewish character of Israel," Yaoz-Kest says, as if to excuse himself. "But this is not to be. We are fast moving towards a binational state. So there is only Hebrew literature to preserve our national identity."

He is encouraged by the fact that a few Arab writers, "perhaps four or five," have chosen Hebrew as their medium of expression. "I don't expect them to write as Jews, or to subscribe to our aims. But they are part of the Hebrew patrimony, just as Conrad is part of English literature, or Stefan Zweig is part of German literature."

But from his young Jewish fellow-writers he demands more. He wants them to realize they are a link in the chain of Jewish history. He deplores the trend, prevalent here a generation ago, of designating the output of sabra writers as the beginning of a new, "authentic", Hebrew literature. What the writers produced in the Diaspora is no less significant for Hebrew literary tradition, he maintains. Though he abhors blind nationalism, Yaoz-Kest nevertheless expects Israeli youth to be patriotic. The trend towards cosmopolitanism, is, at best, illogical, even unnatural, he feels.

SOCCER

Great effort by Israel

Post Sports Staff

Israel's experimental national team fully justified the confidence of national team coach's Miljenko Mibic when they barely lost 2-3 to the powerful Romanian national side.

Israel took the lead in the 19th minute through a great shot by Daniel Brailovsky, only to see Belodereçh equalise two minutes later with a powerful 18 m. drive. The same player put Romania 2-1 ahead in the 38th minute.

With 12 minutes to go, Mihic sent in one of his reserves, Shalom Tikva. The move brought results. It took Tikva only two minutes to hammer home an equaliser, thus making a 2-2 draw seem probable.

But it was not to be. With nine minutes left to play, Kramer produced the winner for Romania, and Israel could not score again.

Mihic did not use the opening squad he had announced the previous night. Instead he tried Brailovsky as a second striker alongside Eli Ohana, ahead of Malmillian, Sinai, Ovadia and David in midfield, with the two Avi Cohens, Klinger and Rosenthal in the defence. The scheme certainly worked.

The match was preceded by a folk-dance display. A paratrooper descended from the sky – bringing with him the ball used in the match. Thirty thousand spectators cheered both teams at the close. Israelis have every right to be satisfied with themselves.

BASEBALL

Maestro Mahler

ATLANTA (AP) – Rick Mahler pitched a three-hitter to extend his scoreless string in season openers to 34 innings with a 6-0 victory over Philadelphia on Tuesday night.

"Whatever it is, I hope I can keep it up," said Mahler, whose third nine-inning shutout tied a National League record.

In other National League games, it was New York 3, Pittsburgh 2, St. Louis 9, Chicago 3, Houston 6, Los Angeles 5, and San Francisco 4, San Diego 3.

In Houston, the Astros, after manager Hal Lanier was nearly beaned by a warmup pitch by Fernando Valenzuela, rallied for four runs in the eight inning against the Dodgers.

In San Francisco, Bob Melvin, who had a pinch-hit single during a winning 12th-inning rally on Monday, hit two homers as the Giants overcame a 3-2 deficit against the Padres.

The Mets won for the 16th time in their last 18 opening-day games and successfully opened the defence of their World Series championship in New York by beating the Pirates.

The Cardinals rallied from a 3-0 deficit against the Cubs in Chicago with a five-run third inning that saw rookie Jim Lindeman and pitcher John Tudor single home two runs apiece.

MAESTRO ON THE MOUND. – Rick Mahler.

In the American League, the Angels, sporting a new look with two rookies and a new veteran catcher in their lineup, won their season-opener 7-1 over the Seattle Mariners.

In the only other game in the American League on Tuesday, Minnesota beat Oakland 5-4 in 10 innings.

Kent Hrbek's bases-loaded single to the left-centre field wall with none out in the bottom of the 10th inning lifted the Twins over the A's.

MUSIC REVIEWS

Festive dream

MUSICAN – the evening session. Works by Smadar Handelsman, Moshe Rasiuk, Noah Blas, Yishai Knoll, Rueben Sarousi, Arik Shapira, Ron Weidberg and Steven Horenstein. The performers: Smadar Handelsman, piano; Danny Handelsman, viola; Adi Etzion, voice; Dafna Licht, mezzo-soprano; Anat Sharon, piano; Noah Blas, piano; Eliezra Eyg-Zhakov, alto; Emilie Berendsen, mezzo-soprano; Reuben Sarousi, guitar; Marcelo Ehrlich, flute; Steven Horenstein, saxophone-tenor.

IN TERMS of attendance and audience attentiveness, the final session of *Musican*, a festival of music by young Israeli composers, was a composer's dream: less than an hour before midnight, at the long day's conclusion, there were no empty seats. The renditions were of a uniformly high order (the programme was recorded by the radio), the applause generous and enthusiastic.

The eight compositions – all heard for the first time – comprised a mixed bag: two ("Tropic Gardens" by Handelsman and Horenstein's "Chiasmus") involved a combination of live and recorded sound, five ("Three Days" by Rasiuk, "Sounds of Purification" by Blas, Four songs by Knoll, the Machado song by Sarousi and Weidberg's "Spring") were vocal works, and one ("Jingle" by Shapira) was written for a solo instrument.

Steven Horenstein's piece, which concluded the evening, amounted to a powerful statement, masterfully executed. The composer played his saxophone against the recorded background of several other saxophones, achieving an intricate minimalistic, arabesque-like texture, its elements blending with one another polyphonically. The final episode, in which the soloist performed an expressive recitative, accompanied by the recorded instruments, provided a genuinely moving ending.

"Tropical Gardens" by Smadar Hendelsman, also showed many attractive sides – clearly, a product of an original, imaginative mind. The sequence of the colourful episodes, however, seemed to have but little logic to it; arguably, the wealth of recorded sound sources weakened the composer's overall perspective.

Set to David Vogel's poetry, the four songs by Yishai Knoll reflected sensitive identification with the human psychological condition; Dafna Licht proved a special asset as the performer. "Three Days" by Moshe Rasiuk, composed to a short text by Leah Goldberg, featured various musical interpretations of the same words, showing indisputable mastery of the song idiom.

While both Knoll and Rasiuk had scored for the voice and piano, the composition by Reuben Sarousi had the vocalist accompanied by flute and guitar. The sure hand of the composer, who also played the guitar, was felt throughout this appealing work. "Spring," a cycle of six songs by Ron Weidberg, provided a lighter note: written for voice, flute and piano, it was essentially a piece of musical theatre, witty and cheerful.

Which left two works – by Noah Blas, remarkably executed by Eliezra Eyg-Zhakov, and Arik Shapira – that to at least one listener remained a closed book. All considered, not a bad ratio.

ELI KAREV

Unique niche

MUSICAL AFTERNOON, with Yigal Tuneh, violin; Yossi Gutmann, viola; Michael Haran, cello; Pnina Salzman, piano. Musical director, Michael Haran. (Tel Aviv Museum, April 3.) Brahms: Sonata Opus 120 No. 1 for viola and piano; Schubert: Trio Opus 99 for piano, violin and cello.

ON A musical scene dominated by formal, highly charged concerts, Michael Haran's series occupies a unique niche. While maintaining top performance standards, it preserves a degree of the ambiance associated with making music for pleasure. The performers seem less nervous, the only tension felt being that of musical expression. The choice of programmes, too, usually appeals as much to a connoisseur as to the ordinary music lover. All the more pity then, that the latest Tel Aviv Museum Musical Afternoon did not draw a bigger audience.

Michael Haran

In a programme of Brahms and Schubert, presented by our leading musicians, hardly anything could go wrong, and it did not. The real high point was Pnina Salzman's part in the Brahms sonata – a glowingly warm, expressive and thoughtful performance. It was piano playing on a grand scale – with a lot of colour and luxuriously moulded phrases – which, however, remained finely balanced with the viola. Yossi Gutmann, even if more restrained in interpretive approach, offered an intense and deeply moving reading, one which contributed a crucial element to the memorable rendition.

As in so many works by Schubert, the score of the B-flat major Trio which followed contains almost as many problems as a performance can offer rewards. The ad-hoc ensemble, while managing the tricky spots credibly, did not quite attain genial immediacy of expression. At a brisk pace, the music moved predictably with few revelations emerging along the way.

ELI KAREV

Operatic success

THE LIGHT Opera Group of the Negev: "Princess Ida" or "Castle Adamant." Operetta in three acts by Gilbert and Sullivan. Director: Tamara Vardin Mutal. Musical director and conductor: Eri Doron. (Haifa Auditorium, April 2.)

ONE CAN only admire the enterprise of the Light Opera Group of the Negev. The members of this amateur troupe of professors, doctors, students and teachers made the most of Sullivan's comic opera, written in collaboration with the satirical light dramatist Gilbert. *Princess Ida* was first produced at the Savoy Theatre, London, in 1884 and described as a "respectful operatic perversion of Tennyson's *Princess*."

Most of the singers were suitably cast, especially the male parts. Gail Chesler Greene mastered her role as Princess Ida but her voice lacked in flexibility and nuance. Sharona Tel-Oren, better known as a flautist, sang the part of Lady Psyche with feeling but with too much tremolo. Tenor Arnold Gross was convincing as Hilarion, although his high register occasionally sounded strained. Good vocal quality and lively acting were displayed by Adi Adar as Cyril and Ed Spitz as Florian. King Gama was successfully impersonated by Amiel Schotz. In the smaller roles, Llyn Frost as Melissa sang well and gave a lively performance.

In all, the performance was an enjoyable success. It was dedicated to the memory of Yohanan Boehm, in appreciation of his support, discernment, perception and wit.

ESTHER REUTER

ENGLISH SOCCER

Allen boosts Spurs

LONDON (AFP). – Super-striker Clive Allen is now just one goal short of equalling Jimmy Greaves' scoring record for Tottenham.

Allen made it 44 for the season to earn Spurs a 1-0 win at Sheffield Wednesday. The victory put them in good heart for Saturday's FA Cup semi-final clash with Watford, and maintained their outside hopes of the First Division title. They leapfrogged over Luton into third place – seven points behind Everton and Liverpool. But the North London club have a game in hand on Howard Kendall's team and have played two less than Kenny Dalglish's side.

A George Lawrence equalizer eight minutes from time salvaged a valuable 2-2 draw for relegation-threatened Southampton against Wimbledon at the Dell.

Jim Melrose missed a golden chance in Charlton's 0-0 draw with London rivals Chelsea at Selhurst Park. Melrose intercepted a back pass, dribbled round Chelsea goalkeeper Tony Godden but sent his shot along the goal-line to miss the empty net.

BASKETBALL

State Cup

BY DON GOULD

One last chance for Hapoel Galil Elyon to beat champions Maccabi Tel Aviv and an opportunity for Israel's top women to exhibit their prowess under the Yad Eliyahu spotlight provide the closing acts of the 1986-1987 basketball season tonight.

Elitzur Tel Aviv face off against Hapoel Givatayim at 6:45 in the State Cup women's final followed by Maccabi and Galil in the final of the men's State Cup.

GOLF

Americans under siege in Masters

AUGUSTA, Georgia (AFP). – The warning lights have been flashing for some time. And today when 85 players commence battle for the United States Masters, more will be at stake than the coveted green jacket.

National golfing pride will be on trial and U.S. golfers will be making a desperate bid to thwart the growing domination of the sport by the circuit's 'foreign' invaders.

Alas, the home competitors could find themselves overrun. None of the bookmakers' pre-tournament favourites carry U.S. passports in their luggage.

In the first 43 years it was played, the Masters produced only one foreign winner: Gary Player of South Africa in 1978. This week it will be a surprise if a foreigner does not win.

U.S. golfing supremacy has crumbled since Australian Greg Norman took over the number-one spot in the international rankings last year. And salt has been rubbed into the wounds by the fact that Payne Stewart is the only American player to hold a place in the top-six of the international standings.

Greg Norman, dramatic runner-up to the great Jack Nicklaus in last year's emotional tournament, is hungry to avenge that defeat.

FAVOURED 'FOREIGNER'. – Greg Norman. (Reuter telephoto)

"The amazing thing about Augusta is that you can play one wrong shot and lose the tournament," he said earlier this week, referring to last year when he erred on his approach to the 18th green and lost the title by a single stroke.

A par-four on the final hole would have put Norman into a play-off with the then 46-year-old Ohio legend, who had astonished everyone with a final round 65. A birdie would have given the blond-haired Australian victory.

But he hit the wrong shot at the wrong time, choosing a chip instead of taking his putter for his approach shot.

"I was pleased for Jack," said Norman, referring to Nicklaus's amazing sixth Masters title.

"But I'm sure Augusta is a course on which I can win. I love the place and when you play somewhere you like and feel comfortable, you can't wait to get your hands on the trophy."

If anybody is the supreme Augusta expert it is Severiano Ballesteros. And today has a special significance for the flamboyant Spaniard, it's his 30th birthday.

Ballesteros is also at an important crossroad in his career and is desperately in need of a major success.

Seven years ago, as a 23-year-old, Ballesteros became the youngest-ever winner of the tournament. He won it again in 1983.

"I know I always have a chance here," he said. "Augusta suits my game. It's a beautiful course."

Bernhard Langer, the 1985 winner, will be a serious threat to both Norman and Ballesteros. The 29-year-old West German is playing superbly at the present time and he has greatly improved his putting.

Another favourite is Sandy Lyle. The modest, quiet-spoken Scot, fresh from a lucrative win in the recent Tournament Players Championship, thinks he can score another success at Augusta.

Niklaus described last year's win as the most memorable in his extraordinary career.

"I wasn't playing very well and I wanted to leave the tour on a serious note," he said. "I couldn't think of a better tournament to win than the Masters.

"Now in semi-retirement I am relaxed. I have had a very enjoyable year as champion and I would like to do it again," he said. "But if I don't do well this week it won't be the end of the world."

OBITUARY/ROBERT L. LESLIE

A graphic life

TO LIVE TO 101 is certainly an achievement, but the actual achievements of Dr. Robert L. Leslie who died last week, were even more impressive than his longevity. A frequent visitor here, even in his old age – once when he broke a rib the Hadassah computer refused to accept his birth date – the "impresario of typographic and graphic arts education" as he was called, inspired many people and institutions.

Born in poverty on New York's Lower East Side on December 18, 1885, "Uncle Bob Leslie" as he became known, was the eldest of seven children. To help support the family when a youngster, he first worked as a gaslamp-lighter and then became a messenger for a Russian printer.

It was from this job that he gained his love for printing, eventually becoming apprenticed to America's outstanding 19th-century printer, Theodore Low de Vinne.

A lifelong member of the Typographical Union, Robert Leslie was also a physician, graduating from Johns Hopkins in 1912 where he studied on a scholarship awarded by the Jewish Charities Organization (Kahilla). To support himself, he worked as a proofreader on the midnight to 8 a.m. shift on the *Baltimore Sun*, finishing his shift just in time to attend class.

In his work for the U.S. Public Health Service, Leslie became an expert on bubonic plague. In 1918 he married Sara K. Greenberg, an obstetrician, but despite all the thousands she delivered, the couple themselves sadly remained childless.

With the encouragement of his wife, in 1920 Leslie changed to the profession he loved, the graphic arts, and with his friend and future partner, typographic technician Sol Cantor, he acquired a linotype company which became known as "The Composing Room."

Leslie's success in life derived from his vigour, drive and love. He always gave 100 per cent and expected the same of others. In 1925 he opened one of the first U.S. galleries of commercial and graphic art, Gallery 303, in one of the rooms of the Composing Room. Nine years later he founded the trade magazine, *P-M* (later called *A-D*).

His most famous venture was the Gallery 303 series "Heritage of the Graphic Arts," in which the best artists in all aspects of fine bookmaking came to lecture or give informal talks. The series continued for many years and in 1972 a book of the same name was published which is now a classic text in the history of modern printing. The last "Heritage" series, in 1985, was on a topic close to Leslie's heart, papermaking.

THIS LOVE was reflected in Leslie's attempts to establish a mill for hand-made paper in Israel. This dream was fulfilled by Joyce Schmidt who opened a workshop on this as part of the Visual Arts Centre in Beersheba, with Leslie's assistance, in 1978. The workshop was soon named in his honour (by another donor) and is called "The Uncle Bob Leslie Paper Mill."

Robert L. Leslie (Klaus Otto Hundt)

Leslie received countless awards and honours, a recent one being the "Friend of Jerusalem," awarded at the 12th Jerusalem Book Fair in 1985.

LEILA ARRIN

TENNIS

DALLAS (Reuter). – Top-seed Stefan Edberg of Sweden outlasted American Tim Mayotte 6-2, 7-5 6-7, 3-6, 6-1 in a 204 minute serve-and-volley duel in the first match of the $500,000 World Championship Tennis final.

Edberg, ranked third in the world, became the favourite to win the Elite eight-man tournament when West German Boris Becker withdrew with a stomach illness.

He got off to a great start against Mayotte, breaking his serve three times in taking the first two sets 6-2, 7-5. But then the American, renowned for his sporting spirit, fought back gallantly but grimly, to even the sets at 2-all by producing some tremendous shots. In the third set he fired off five winners to take the tiebreaker 7-4, then broke Edberg to love in the fourth game of the fourth set to run out a 6-3 winner.

The efforts he had made took its toll in the fifth set. He was clearly tired. Realising this, Edberg raised the tempo of the game, and ran out an easy 6-1 winner.

"In the fifth set he produced some great tennis," Mayotte said afterwards. "That's why he's one of the best players in the world."

CRICKET

Pakistani loss sparks riot

NEW DELHI (Reuter). – A cricket victory by England over Pakistan on Tuesday in the United Arab Emirates sparked a Hindu-Moslem riot in western India, police said yesterday.

They said two people were stabbed to death and five wounded in Baroda after Hindus threw firecrackers at Moslems to celebrate the surprise defeat of Moslem Pakistan in a one-day game. India are playing in the same tournament.

NBA

CLEVELAND (AP). – The Cleveland Cavaliers handed Boston a 107-83 defeat on Tuesday, their biggest loss of the National Basketball Association season.

In other games, it was Milwaukee 95, Washington 94; Indiana 128, New Jersey 114; Chicago 116, Detroit 86; Phoenix 127, Seattle 125 in overtime; Houston 102, Los Angeles Clippers 84; and Denver 129, Golden State 126 in overtime.

SPORTOTO

TEL AVIV. – Two punters each won NIS 880,000 in forecasting correctly all 14 results on last week's Sportoto coupon, but this week's first prize moneys will be reduced to a minimum of NIS 600,000. A total of NIS 1.25 million will be distributed among all winners, the football pool announced.

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7. Hap PT v Mac Netanya	2	X2
8. Bet Nahariya v Hap Holon	2	2
9. Hap Hadera v Sha'arayim	1	1
10. Hap R. Gan v Tiberias	X	X2
11 Bet Shean v Hap Acre	X	X
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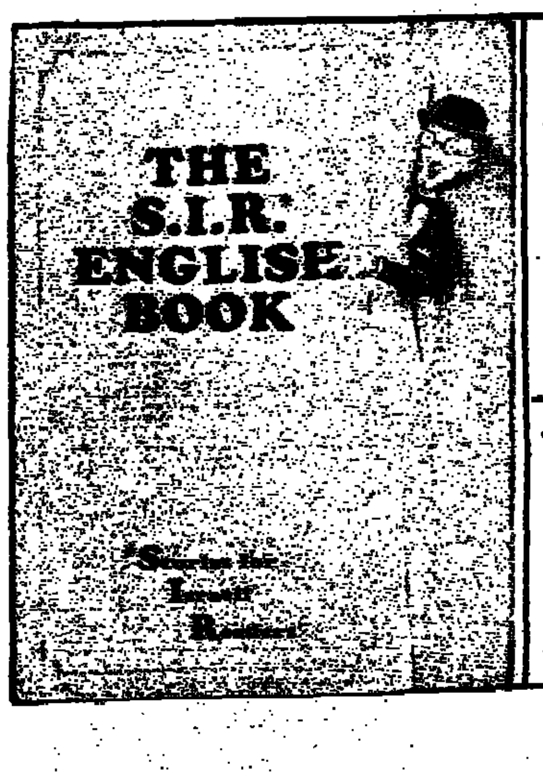

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Two new products unveiled

Amcor debuts on high tech stage

TEL AVIV. – In a bid to further diversify its market beyond the home appliance field, Amcor Ltd. this week introduced its first major high technology electronics products.

The first, Projectron, allows business users to create and display full-colour charts and graphics without having to learn a computer system and software package. The second allows hospitals and laboratories to conduct chromosome tests in about one fourth the time now required.

At a press conference on Monday, Shlomo Levine, marketing manager of Amcor's electronics division, said the thrust toward the computer market gives the company a new dimension.

"It means going into high tech and competing in a sophisticated market," he said. "It also strengthens the company in other areas. The company suddenly is drawing computer engineers. It gives strength to the technology of the company in other fields as well."

Both products are closely allied to the computer field. The $45,000 chromosome-testing package utilizes Amcor's own software package and interfaces, but incorporates hardware from outside vendors, such as an IBM-AT computer and a Grundig video camera. The test's primary use is in detecting potential birth defects through the examination of amniotic fluid drawn from pregnant women.

Current procedures require technicians to take still pictures of the chromosomes and then cut up the pictures and match up the chromosomes – a process that can take six hours. The chromosome tester takes the basic image and, through the use of computer software, allows the technician to move and match the chromosomes on screen. Medical personnel at Beilinson Hospital said Amcor's package cut the time required for each test to about an hour and a half.

Potential buyers are the 7,000 genetic laboratories in North America, the 5,000 in Western Europe and the 10 in Israel. The company expects to sell 10 of the systems this year and 100 in 1988.

Such genetic testing is often performed on pregnant women aged 37 or above, who have an increased chance of birth defects.

The $2,000 Projectron includes a palm-sized remote control unit, 5¼-inch double-sided computer diskettes and the 3.8 kilogramme unit that runs the software and links up with a colour television set. The menu-based system allows a user to create a standard multi-colour chart or graphic in about a half hour, Levine said. The portable system is designed for middle managers and secretaries who don't regularly work with a computer graphics system. The system includes a flat pressure-sensitive keyboard, but an IBM-style keyboard is offered as an option. Users also can add options from outside vendors, including a full-colour printer, a digitizing tablet that allows free-hand drawing and a special recorder that captures the computer image photographically.

About 100 computer displays, or "slides," can be stored on a diskette, and Projectron has a mode that allows it to flip from slide to slide automatically.

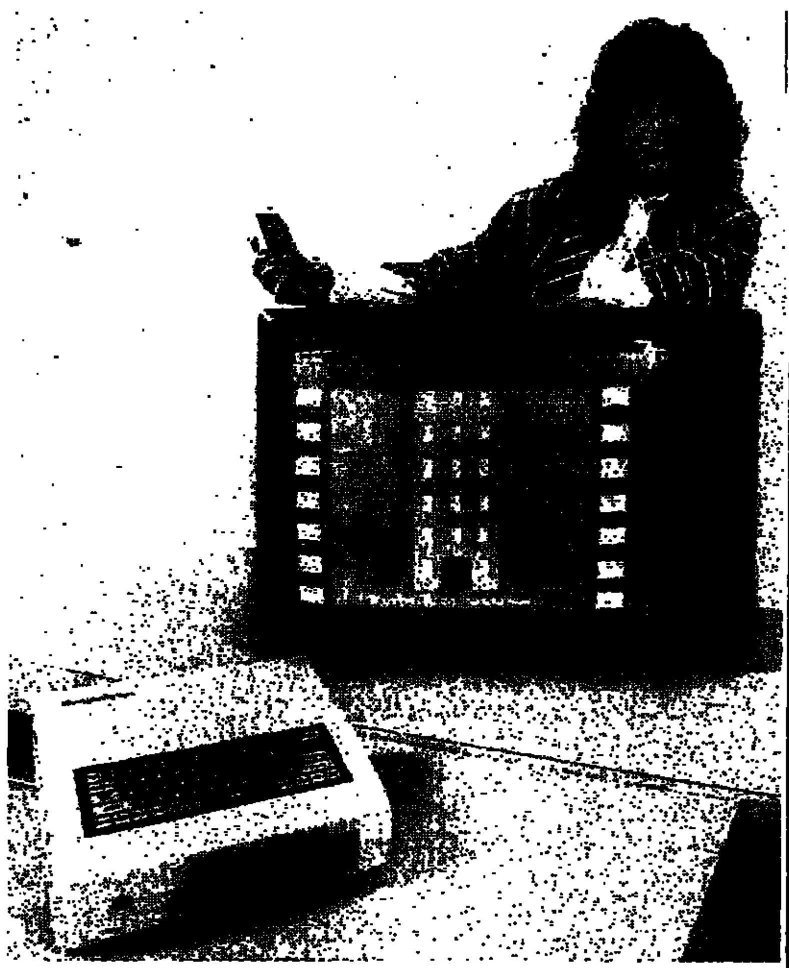
Amcor executives said they see applications for Projectron in business meetings, advertising, product demonstrations, schools and conferences.

Levine said the business graphic market is worth about $10 billion a year worldwide, and Amcor is hoping its product will reap about $10 million in yearly sales, with 2,000 units expected to be sold in the next 12 months.

The Projectron will reach markets in Western Europe and North America in about two months, Levine said, with a Hebrew-language version following by several months. He said minor modifications to the English version would be made for countries that speak German, French and the Scandinavian languages.

The two products are based on a three-year research and development programme that included $700,000 in support from the chief scientist at the Ministry of Industry and Trade.

Amcor is primarily known for its line of major home appliances, such as refrigerators and washing machines, but it also makes industrial refrigeration equipment and solar energy systems.



Amcor Electronics' new Projectron for graphic presentation and display.

THE TAX BURDEN/Jeff Broide

Just what is deductible

Israeli tax law permits the deduction of expenses incurred wholly and exclusively during the tax year in the producton of income (Section 17 of the Income Tax Ordinance), but does not permit the deduction of expenses that are excessive in relation to the level of income (Section 30), and, of course, excludes private and capital expenditure (Section 32).

Depreciation on buildings, plant, machinery, equipment, furniture or other assets, which are owned by the taxpayer and used in the production of his income, is calculated on the original cost to the taxpayer and at the rates stipulated in the by-laws of the income tax code. Some of the more commonly encountered examples are listed in the accompanying chart.

Equipment utilized in shifts is subject to increased depreciation allowances. These may not exceed 200 per cent of the rates stipulated in the by-laws and are subject to approval of the assessing officer. Approved enterprises may deduct up to 250 per cent of the above rates, and up to four times the rates stipulated on buildings. But these cannot exceed 20 per cent per annum, if approval *to deduct* was granted after July 30,1978.

Calculating Depreciation

Assets	Annual Rate (%)
Buildings (factories – double rate)	1½
Furniture, office equipment and fixtures	6–10
Machinery and equipment (non-industrial)	9–10
Motor vehicles	15
Taxis, trucks, buses, Rental vehicles	20
Electronic computers	20

Legal expenses incurred in ordinary day-to-day business activities may be included in the calculation of taxable income. Legal expenses, however, are not deductible when they are incurred on a capital – as opposed to a revenue transaction, which is not part of the day-to-day running of the business. Legal precedents generally attach importance to the transaction involved in determining whether the legal expenses are deductible. For example, legal expenses involved in negotiating for the purchase of a business are of a capital nature, but the legal costs in collecting a debt for the sale of goods are of a revenue nature.

Fees for the annual audit or for the preparation of annual financial statements or other routine activities are deductible as the principles that apply for legal expenses apply here as well. When the fees are incurred as part of a capital transaction such as the purchase of a new business, then they are not deductible. Consultations with auditors or other consultant accountants relating to value-added tax or tax matters are of a revenue nature and therefore deductible.

Payments for insurance of income-producing assets are deductible as ordinary expenses and premiums paid on loss of profits cover are allowable for tax purposes.

But life insurance payments covering the members of a business partnership or the controlling shareholders (with at least a 10 per cent holding) in a company are not deductible. Premiums on insurance against the disablement of key personnel who are not partners or shareholders are deductible, but the proceeds of such policies will be liable to tax.

In order for payment of compensation for damages to be deductible for tax purposes, the expenses must be closely related to the taxpayer's source of income and have the nature of revenue, rather than capital. When both conditions are met, then the amount paid as compensation is deductible. In the Friedman case, a building contractor transported employees to their jobs and was required to pay compensation for injuries suffered by the workmen in a road accident. The court ruled in favour of deducting the compensation paid by the contractor, as the payment was exclusively involved in the production of income.

Rental payments by the lessee of land, premises or officies occupied for the purposes of producing income are deductible for tax purposes . Rental of other assets used in the production of income is also deductible, except for rental of motor vehicles for which there are special provisions in the income tax law.

Expenditure on professional literature of a periodic nature, such as journals, circulars, government publications of bills and laws, is deductible. Book purchases deducted as a current expense, by a taxpayer can deduct 15 per cent annually for the depreciation of books.

Expenditures incurred to maintain professional standards is deductible. This can include money spent on courses, conferences and local or overseas travel. But, be careful, on the latter – travel expenditures are provisions.

When a taxpayer runs a clinic or practice from his home, he can deduct a reasonable proportion of home expenses related to the business. For example, if a taxpayer rents a five-room apartment, and one of the rooms serves as his clinic or practice, then it would appear that the tax authorities would not object to the deduction of 20-25 per cent of various home expenses such as rent, municipal and property taxes, house committee dues, domestic help, some maintenance expenses and utilities.

Payments from clients monies – held by lawyers to cover expenses – for registration or court fees are not deductible. Finally, in the event you are caught deducting expenses illegally, penalties and fines paid for contravention of any law are not deductible.

The writer is a Certified Public Accountant (Israel). Questions may be addressed to him c/o The Jerusalem Post.

General Motors again tops list of U.S. corporate giants

NEW YORK (Reuter). – General Motors Corp., the world's largest car maker, once again captured the prestigious top spot in this year's list of the Fortune 500, a who's who of American business giants.

GM last year sold more goods than any other U.S. industrial company, posting sales of $102.8 billion. Its 1986 profits, however, slipped behind Ford Motor Co.'s for the first time in more than 60 years. Ford rose to No. 3 in sales from fourth last year.

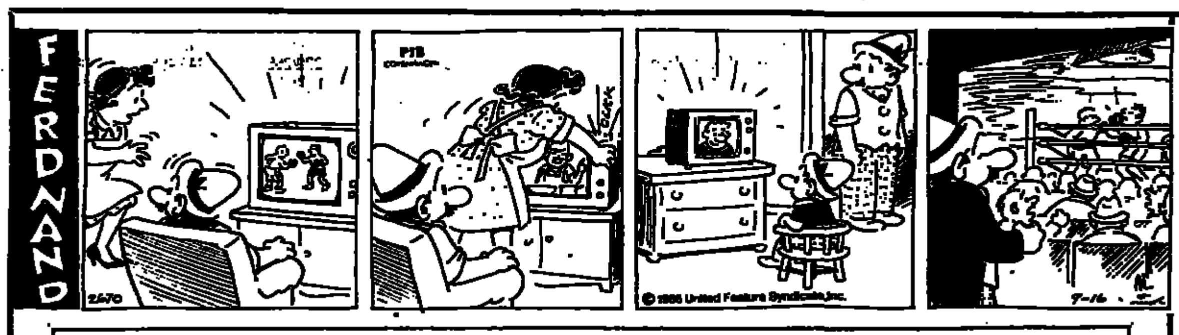
Exxon Corp., the oil giant that topped the Fortune list in 1984, was a far second this time with sales of, $69.9b. The ebbing fortunes of America's oil companies were reflected by their lower ranks on the list of the largest U.S. industrial companies. In 1981, 12 of the top 20 companies were oil companies, including four of the top five. In this year's list, only seven of the top 20 are oil companies.

The Fortune 500 has become an American institution since it was first published in 1955. To qualify as a Fortune 500 industrial company, more than half of a firm's sales must be derived from manufacturing.

The following are the top 25 companies of the fortune 500.

THE FORTUNE 500

Bank/Name	1986 Sales (billions)	Previous rank
1. General Motors	102.814	1
2. Exxon	69.888	2
3. Ford Motor	62.716	4
4. IBM	51.250	5
5. Mobil	44.866	3
6. General Electric	35.211	10
7. ATT	34.087	8
8. Texaco	31.613	6
9. E.I. Du Pont de Nemours	27.148	9
10. Chevron	24.351	7
11. Chrysler	22.514	13
12. Philip Morris	20.681	27
13. Amoco	18.281	11
14. NJR Nabisco	16.998	23
15. Shell Oil	16.833	14
16. Boeing	16.341	21
17. United Technologies	15.669	16
18. Procter Gamble	15.439	22
19. Occidental Petroleum	15.344	19
20. Atlantic Richfield	14.586	12
21 Tenneco	14.558	18
22 USX	14.000	15
23. McDonnell Douglas	12.661	29
24. Rockwell International	12.296	30
25. Allied-Signal	11.794	37



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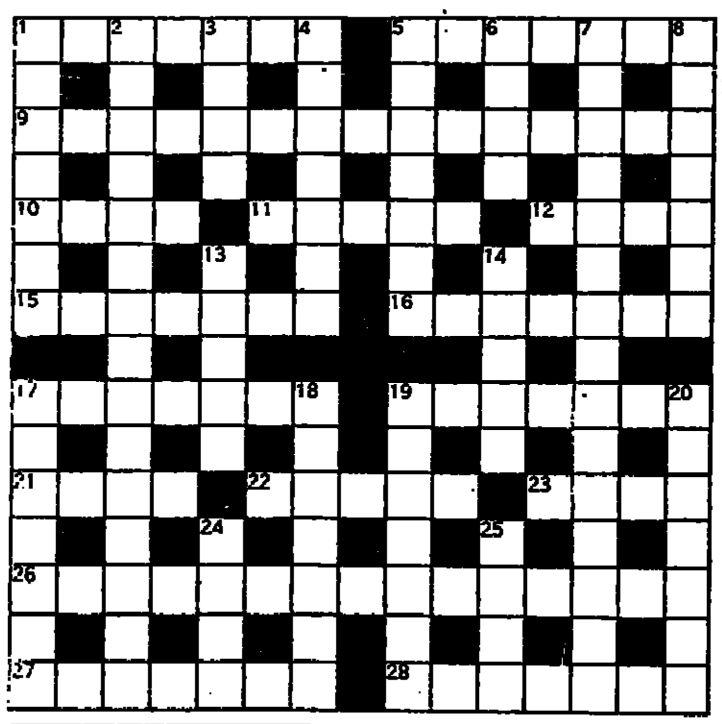
ACROSS

1 Skill included in expensive French concession (7)
5 Meeting of banks is where wealth is disturbed, by George! (7)
9 Eg—"What's overcooking"? (7,8)
10 Railway admits work of poor quality (4)
11 Unmixed concrete? (5)
12 Slight legato effect (4)
15 Climber's means of obtaining purchase (7)
16 Alan and Tim confused about first service . . . (7)
17 . . . but John and Mag come out with the game (7)
19 Gorgeous cheese! (7)
21 Hornblowers short note that can be returned (4)
22 Gem of a girl, but green (5)
23 Number of carmen, we hear (4)
26 Tiverton aspires to appoint one with interest in tradition (15)
27 Own injunction to King Edward (7)
28 Crossbred dog poor at "walkies"? (7)

DOWN

1 Bare act turns? Could be (7)
2 Main dram an infinitesimal factor (1,4,2,3,5)
3 Beginning to suffer at the end (4)
4 A slattern, no bones about it (3-4)
5 Somehow, motorway routes lack point in this sort of travel . . . (7)
6 . . . as well as in local sorties (4)
7 Revolutionary Muslim ascetic (8-7)
8 One girl turned out in play (7)
13 Watercourse from Beachy Head's castle (5)
14 Expensive, putting energy in stride (5)
17 Middle English issue of the forehead (7)
18 Gloucester's opener could be averse to leg defence (7)
19 Girl to complain last, possibly (7)
20 Letter from America? (7)
24 Fellow takes summer abroad—that is fair (4)
25 Othello's native heath? (4)



Yesterday's Solution

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INERROR RAVIOLI
R E O     E W N
SIDDONS ANDANTE
T   M C U   C N
CHARM REDACTOR 
L M A E I A U C
APARTMENT TOSCA
S S E C O E I V
SOSO SHORTRANGE
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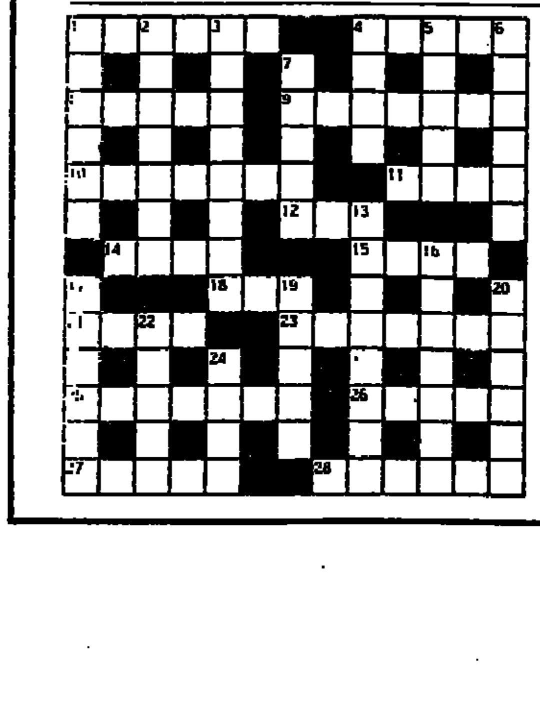
QUICK SOLUTION

ACROSS: 1 Oversees, 7 Tours, 8 Buccaneer, 9 Sun, 10 Tear, 11 Tissue, 13 Temple, 14 Healer, 17 Supple, 18 Camp, 20 Ale, 22 Editorial, 23 River, 24 Meringue. DOWN: 1 Orbit, 2 Exclaim, 3 Shaw, 4 Eyelid, 5 Curse, 6 Asunder, 7 Trusted, 12 Clipper, 13 Theatre, 15 Leaking, 16 Plaice, 17 Serve, 19 Pulse, 21 Yogi.



QUICK CROSSWORD

ACROSS

1 Muslim temple
4 Capital of Ecuador
8 Waterlogged ground
9 Long letter
10 Relating to the side
11 Italian river
12 Common gull
14 Married German woman
15 Large jug
18 Pedal digit
21 Speedy
23 Sirius (3,4)
25 Tumbler
26 Fantastic
27 Bird
28 Stick

DOWN

1 Strength
2 Splash
3 Punch (5,3)
4 Leave
5 Bury
6 King of the Fairies
7 Kingdom
13 English potter
16 Qualify, allow
17 Illicit romance
19 Girl's name
20 Ornamental wall-strip
22 Rub hard
24 Scottish resort

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Trade gap widened 73% in 1st quarter

By AVI TEMKIN
Post Economic Reporter

Israel's trade deficit widened by 73 per cent in the first quarter from the same period last year, to $792 million, the Central Bureau of Statistics announced yesterday. For the month of March alone, the excess of imports of goods over exports totalled $304m.

The bureau said that adjusting for seasonal factors there has been in the last three months a further increase in the level of the deficit. The average monthly deficit of $297.9m. was 14 per cent above its level for the last quarter of 1986 and 50 per cent above the deficit for the third quarter of last year, when it was $260.9m. and $197.8m., respectively.

Exports of goods came to $1.9 billion in the January-March period, an increase of 11.5 per cent from $1.7b. in the same period last year. Industrial exports rose by 9.5 per cent, exports of diamonds soared 25.5 per cent, but agricultural exports posted a drop of 4 per cent.

Despite the overall increase in exports, they lagged far behind the increase in imports for the period, which accounted for the wider trade deficit. Imports for the first three months of the year came to $2.7b., some 24.5 per cent higher than a year earlier, while the figure for March alone was $1.1b.

The figures showed that the monthly average level of imports for the first quarter was 10 per cent higher than in the previous three months. In the first quarter, there was also a 7 per cent increase in exports, but this only partially offset the surge in imports.

Zim net doubled to $38m. last year

By YOEL DAR
For The Jerusalem Post

HAIFA. – Zim Navigation Co. turned in a net profit for the second year running, despite the continuing worldwide shipping slump, the company said at a press conference here yesterday.

The shipping concern ended 1986 with a $38 million profit after interest payments and depreciation costs, more than double the $18.7m. net it earned in 1985. Turnover fell marginally to $706m. from $706.2m. the year before.

Managing Director Matty Morgenstern told reporters that during the year Zim had repaid $37.2m. in interest and $73.8m. in principle on its debts, reducing them to about $340m., most of them long-term obligations. It also set aside another $36.6m. for depreciation.

Morgenstern attributed Zim's success last year chiefly to its ability to cut expenses to $582m. from $601m. in 1985. In part that was due to lower fuel costs, as the price of oil dropped sharply in 1986, but the main reason was the more efficient use of its fleet.

Zim's 66-ship fleet carried 7.5 million tons of cargo in 418 sailings, compared with just 6.5 million tons in 451 sailings in 1985. In addition, Zim's work-force was cut by 405, bringing the total reduction for the past two years to just under 700. No further reductions in manpower, are scheduled for this year, which now stands at 2,600, a Zim source added.

Indicative of the company's changed fortunes since the early part of the decade, when it was awash in debts and making deep losses, management intends to bring a $200m. fleet renewal programme to the board of directors this July, a Zim source said. The plan will probably call for the purchase of between five and seven ships, with perhaps two or three acquired second-hand.

Zim's annual report sounded a note of cautious optimism on the outlook for the worldwide shipping industry. It noted that long-awaited recovery was nipped in the bud in 1984-85 when shipping concerns increased tonnage in anticipation of a turnaround.

The surplus in tonnage still remains, the report said, but so long as shipping companies do not resume orders and increase tonnage even more, there was a good chance that supply and demand could be brought into balance. Supply is now 20 per cent in excess of demand, Zim estimated.

Canadian buys central Jerusalem plot

Jerusalem Post Staff

Edward Reichman, the Canadian investor who developed Jerusalem's The Mill shopping centre and a member of the Canadian family that made its fortune in real estate, has purchased one of the last remaining empty plots in the capital's business centre, it was reported yesterday.

Reichman was reported to have paid $2 million for the 1,150 square metre site on Rehov King George, near Rehov Jaffa from Israel Discount Bank. Reichman plans to put up a shopping arcade as well as offices on the site. Construction, which already has received all the required approvals, is expected to begin this summer.

Discount, Mizrahi reduce rates

Post Economic Staff

Israel Discount and United Mizrahi banks yesterday announced separately that they would be cutting their prime rates in the wake of the Bank of Israel decision a day earlier to reduce its interest rates.

Discount said that as of next Monday, its prime rate would be cut four percentage points to 27 per cent per annum, while Mizrahi said it would be trimming its rate by three points to 27 per cent, effective today.

The cuts bring the two banks in line with Bank Leumi and First International Bank but still above Bank Hapoalim's, which was reduced to 26.4 per cent. Leumi and First International trimmed their rates before the Bank of Israel made its move on Tuesday.

Discount also reduced the borrowing costs on its Discount Extra credit line scheme and made it available to business as well as private customers. Interest rates on Discount Extra will now be 1.25 to 1.75 per cent above the prime rate, depending on the customer. That amounts to a half-point cut from prevailing rates.

In addition, the maximum credit line under the scheme is being raised to NIS 50,000 from NIS 15,000.

At Mizrahi, interest rates charged to wage earners whose salaries are deposited directly in the bank, as well as rates to self-employed, will be cut to 39 per cent.

Leumi New York's profit off 42%

Bank Leumi's New York subsidiary, Bank Leumi Trust Co. of New York, reported a 42 per cent drop in net profit for 1986, to $6.4 million.

The bank's balance sheet rose 2 per cent to $2.9 billion, and a $15m. private placement of capital notes boosted total shareholder's equity by 9 per cent to $174m.

Management ascribed the sharp fall in profit to lower demand for loans in the U.S. and narrower profit margins stemming from lower interest rates. In addition, Leumi New York invested in new customer services, such as credit cards, mortgage loans and securities portfolio management, which are expected to become profitable this year.

WORLD BUSINESS IN BRIEF

U.S. dollar jumps as finance ministers parley in the U.S.

LONDON (Reuter). – The dollar jumped in value yesterday as investors covered positions to protect themselves in the event the finance ministers meeting in Washington decided on some new tactic to stabilize currency markets. No statement had been issued by the ministers by presstime last night.

The dollar touched 1.84 Deutschmarks and nearly 147.5 yen at one point, up from 1.82 and 145 to which it dipped in trading Tuesday. It later settled to trade just below 1.84 marks and 147 yen.

Finance ministers and central bank governors of the Group of Seven – the U.S., Japan, West Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada – were expected to review their agreement reached in Paris in February under which the central banks have been buying the dollar in the open market to brake its steady decline.

In the market's view, however, such economic realities as the huge U.S. budget and trade deficits dictate a yet weaker dollar.

JAPAN HAS LITTLE HOPE of avoiding sanctions, U.S. Under Secretary of State for Political Affairs, Michael Armacost said yesterday at the end of a three-day visit to Tokyo.

He said $300 million of tariffs were likely to be imposed on Japanese goods whatever efforts were made by a Japanese delegation, which is in Washington to discuss the issue.

Washington has said it will impose the tariffs on electronic goods because Japan has allegedly failed to honour a pact on semiconductor trade signed last September.

FURTHER CASH TO EGYPT is being held up by the U.S. until Cairo implements additional economic reforms, Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy said Tuesday.

The U.S. gave Egypt $115 million earlier this fiscal year after the Egyptian government carried out a series of economic measures, including a reduction of government expenditure, subsidy cuts for food and cotton and a simplification of the exchange rate.

But, Murphy said, the State Department would not give Egypt any more in cash unless it implements further measures designed to cut Egypt's budget and balance of payment deficits. Congress authorized $815m. in economic aid for 1987 to Egypt.

AIRBUS INDUSTRIE said Tuesday it would equip its new A-340 long-haul jets with Franco-U.S. CFM-56 engines, after the International Aero Engine Consortium (IAE) failed to meet a strict March 31 deadline set by Airbus for the launch of its new V2500 superfan engine.

The IAE, which notably includes the state-owned British group Rolls-Royce and Pratt and Whitney of the U.S, decided at a board meeting Tuesday not to go ahead with the immediate launch of the engine.

The V2500 was said to have been plagued by a host of technical problems. Many analysts considered it unlikely that it would have been available by the second quarter of 1992, when the first A-340s are to be delivered.

THE HEAD TRADER for Ivan Boesky's Seemala Corp. agreed Tuesday to settle civil charges against him and will help investigators looking into Wall Street's stock-trading scandals, government officials said.

The trader, Michael Davidoff, did not admit or deny guilt as part of the agreement settling Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) charges that he violated the government's net capital requirements for brokers and traders, the SEC officials said.

Israel Money Markets

Shekel Deposits (annual rates)

Bank Last Updated	Deposit Size	Tapes	7 days	14 days	30 days
Leumi (Apr. 8)	500–999	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
	1,000–9,999	22.50	22.00	20.75	21.75
	10,000–49,999	24.00	23.00	21.75	22.75
	50,000+	24.50	23.50	22.25	23.25
Hapoalim (Mar. 27)	Up to 999	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
	1,000–9,999	21.00	21.00	21.50	21.50
	10,000–49,999	23.50	23.50	23.50	23.50
	50,000+	24.00	24.00	24.00	24.00
Discount (Apr. 2)	40–999	10.00	11.00	12.00	15.00
	1,000–10,000	21.00	21.00	22.00	21.00
	10,001–50,000	24.00	23.50	24.00	23.00
	50,001–99,999	24.00	23.50	24.00	23.00
Mizrahi	40–1,000	—	—	—	—
	1,001–2,500	—	—	—	—
	2,501-5,000	—	—	—	—
	5,001-10,000	—	—	—	—
	10,001–50,000	—	—	—	—
First Intl (April 8)	50–999	17.00	15.10	15.10	15.00
	1,000–4,999	22.00	21.90	21.40	20.00
	5,000–9,999	23.00	22.40	22.20	21.00
	10,000–49,999	24.00	22.90	22.90	22.20
	50,000+	25.00	24.00	24.00	23.00

Patah (foreign currency deposit rates)

Currency (min. deposit)	3 MONTHS	6 MONTHS	12 MONTHS
U.S. dollar ($100,000)	5.75	5.875	6.0
Pound sterling (£100,000)	8.25	8.0	8.0
Deutschmark (DM 200,000)	2.875	2.875	3.0
Swiss franc (SF 200,000)	2.625	2.625	2.75
Yen (3 million yen)	2.375	2.375	2.375

SOURCE: BANK LEUMI. Rates vary according to size of deposit.

Shekel Foreign Exchange Rates (April 8)

	CHEQUES AND TRANSFERS Buy	Sell	BANKNOTES Buy	Sell	Rep. Rates*
Currency basket	1.6670	1.6870	—	—	1.6786
U.S. dollar	1.5970	1.6170	1.56	1.63	1.6079
Deutschmark	0.8708	0.8817	0.85	0.89	0.8763
Pound sterling	2.5632	2.5953	2.50	2.61	2.5968
French franc	0.2618	0.2651	0.25	0.27	0.2634
Japanese yen (100)	1.0886	1.1022	1.06	1.11	1.0968
Dutch florin	0.7715	0.7812	0.75	0.79	0.7768
Swiss franc	1.0476	1.0607	1.02	1.07	1.0547
Swedish krona	0.2503	0.2534	0.24	0.26	0.2519
Norwegian krone	0.2330	0.2360	0.23	0.24	0.2346
Danish krone	0.2310	0.2339	0.23	0.24	0.2326
Finnish mark	0.3574	0.3618	0.35	0.36	0.398
Canadian dollar	1.2219	1.2372	1.19	1.25	1.2302
Australian dollar	1.1323	1.1465	1.03	1.13	1.1398
S. African rand	0.7825	0.7923	0.51	0.61	0.7884
Belgian franc (10)	0.4197	0.4250	0.41	0.43	0.4233
Austrian schilling	1.2397	1.2552	1.21	1.27	1.2467
Italian lira (1000)	1.2230	1.2383	1.19	1.25	1.2300
Jordanian dinar	—	—	4.47	4.75	4.6790
Egyptian pound	—	—	0.65	0.69	0.7638
ECU	1.8102	1.8329	—	—	1.8225
Irish punt	2.3292	2.3584	1.06	1.13	2.3441
Spanish peseta (100)	1.2436	1.2593	1.20	1.28	1.2510

SOURCE: BANK LEUMI.

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

MARKET STATISTICS

General Share Index	General Bond Index
130.32	109.38
0.77%	−0.09%

Share Movements

Advances	Unchanged	Declines
162	122	108

Arrangement	NIS	1,792,900
Bonds	NIS	7,630,600
Treasury Bills	NIS	7,335,600

Share Movements

Advances	162	(164)
of which 5%+	27	(28)
buyers only	2	(3)
Declines	108	(125)
of which 5%+	16	(14)
sellers only	2	(3)
Trading Halt	29	(24)

Bond Market Trends

Index-linked:	
3% fully linked	Generally falls to 1%
4.25% fully linked	Falls to 1%
80% linked	Stable
Double linked:	Stable/falls slightly
Admon	Stable
Rimon	Rises to 1%
Gilboa	Mixed to 1%
FC denominated	Stable
T-bills (annual yield)	26.15-34.50%

Stock Indices

General (excl argmt.)	164.16+1.20%
Non-argmt. Banks	168.35+0.22%
Arrangement Banks	108.01+0.33%
Mortgage Banks	146.63−0.90%
Financial Inst.	122.00+0.27%
Insurance	130.63+0.20%
Commerce & Services	163.56+1.88%
Real Estate & Agric.	167.34+1.47%
Industrials	165.51+0.96%
Food & Tobacco	154.18+0.27%
Textiles	165.02+1.16%
Metals	162.21−0.34%
Electronics	167.02+1.18%
Chemicals	163.87+1.12%
Industrial Invest.	193.24 +2.55
Investment Cos.	179.15+2.20%
Oil Exploration	167.58+0.59%

Bond Indices

Index-linked Bonds	109.38−0.13%
Fully linked	110.11−0.24%
Partially linked	108.31+0.08%
Foreign Currency	109.10+0.16%
FC denominated	111.16−0.13%
FC linked	108.22+0.29%
Short-term 0-2 yrs	108.06+0.06%
Short-medium 2-5 yrs	108.68−0.04%
Medium-long 5-7 yrs	110.38−0.25%
Long-term 7+ yrs	111.74−0.29%

Turnovers:

Total Shares	NIS 29,864,800
Non-arrangement	NIS 28,071,900

Arrangement Yields:

IDB ord.	17.01%
Union 0.1	16.84%
Discount A	16.97%
Mizrahi R.	16.78%
Hapoalim R.	17.22%
General A	17.02%
Leumi Stock	16.91%
Fin. Trade 1	16.95%

SELECTED PRICE QUOTATIONS

Name	Price	Volume '000NIS	% change
Commercial Banks (not part of "arrangement")			
Maritime	2075	4074	+2.7
General non-arr.	32700	404	–
First Int'l	6485	5126	–
FIBI	8285	4710	−0.6
Commercial Banks (part of "arrangement")			
IDBr	90990	303	+0.4
Union 0.1	67850	36	+0.7
Discount	116200	111	–
Mizrahi	37560	636	+0.8
Hapoalim r	61650	563	–
General A	157900	11	−0.9
Leumi 0.1	39330	1523	+0.6
Fin. Trade	52150	16	−0.1
Mortgage Banks			
Leumi Mort. r	10300	333	+3.0
Dev. Mort.	4315	809	−1.4
Mishkan r	3530	1090	−4.3
Tefahot r	23980	233	−1.6
Merav r	9149	254	−0.5
Financial Institutions			
Agric C	no trading		
Ind. Dev. DD	no trading		
Clal Leasing 0.1	29700	76	–
Insurance			
Ararat 0.1 r	1700	606	+2.4
Hassneh r	474	54357	–
Phoenix 0.1	751	3012	−3.0
Hamishmar	8200	78	−2.7
Menorah 1	2804	207	−0.0
Sahar r	8140	2135	+1.8
Zion Hold. 1	12600	20	+0.4
Trade & Services			
Meir Ezra	1190	9756	−8.4
Supersol 2	15150	958	+1.1
Delek r	6660	6039	+2.0
Lighterage	29200	78	+8.1
Cold Storage	1469	3854	+4.4
Dan Hotels	2476	1592	+10.0
Yarden Hotel	2700	97	+0.7
Hilon 1	no trading		
Team 1	1036	6500	−1.3
Real Estate, Building and Agriculture			
Azorim	1596	24908	+4.9
Eilon	567	17239	–
Africa Isr. 0.1	65400	1105	+4.1
Dankner	8570	743	–
Prop. & Bldg.	4669	7181	+2.5
Bayside 0.1	5740	794	−1.9
ILDC r	112701	546	+1.3
Rassco r	6300	250	−4.0
Mehadrin	7280	1584	+1.7
Hadarim	2300	5757	−4.1
Industrials			
Dubek b	6620	864	–
Pri-Ze 1	no trading		
Sunfrost	17900	520	–
Elite	24800	4077	–
Adgar	853	9803	+2.2
Argaman r	20100	688	+5.8
Delta G 1	5700	1486	+0.4
Maquette 1	5467	360	–
Eagle 1	700	3444	−1.8
Polgat	7100	1979	+5.2
Schoellerina	19200	584	+1.1
Rogosin	no trading		
Urdan 0.1 r	13270	554	+2.1
Is. Can Co. 1	5520	1846	–
Zion Cables	3400	2470	–
Pecker Steel	22500	335	−1.3
Elbit	652000	45	–
Elron	540500	33	+2.9
Arit	32199	196	−0.9
Clal Electronics	3230	11000	+5.2
Spectronix 1	3400	1213	–
T.A.T. 1	2044	2504	+5.4
Ackerstein 1	1276	4479	–
Agan 5	23000	356	+1.3
Alliance	2650	1264	+0.4
Dexter	4099	270	−1.5
Fertilisers	4900	115	−7.5
Haifa Chem.	1045	34166	+5.9
Teva r	13994	2518	+1.4
Dead Sea r	3200	10610	−0.8
Petrochem.	830	88095	+3.8
Neca Chem.	8950	358	–
Frutarom	20999	297	–
Hadera Paper	459500	239	–
Central Trade	148000	563	+1.4
Koor p	no trading		
Clal Inds.	300	213810	+3.4
Investment Companies			
IDB Dev. r	9430	2144	+1.9
Ellern	6880	2291	+0.3
Afik 1	410	13850	–
Gahelet	1715	100	−0.6
Israel Corp. 1	26900	3718	+7.6
Wolfson 1 r	134000	2	−2.5
Hapoalim Inv.	12070	3007	–
Discount Invest.	5970	6719	+1.4
Mizrahi Invest.	37400	126	+2.5
Clal 10	1700	21453	+1.6
Landeco 0.1	3145	256	–
Pama 0.1	13398	128	–
Oil Exploration			
Paz Oil Expl.	40400	53	+1.0
J.O.E.L.	7650	2107	–

Abbreviations:
s.o. sellers only
b.o. buyers only
b bearer
r registered

DEMJANJUK ON TRIAL

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formal courtesy, O'Connor constantly addressed the witness as *Mar* (Hebrew for mister) Scheffler, although the bench and the prosecution regularly call him professor. On the other hand, Scheffler occasionally addressed O'Connor as *Herr Rechtsanwalt* (lawyer), especially when he was a little ruffled.

Some time was spent on the period in 1961 when Scheffler was an historical adviser for the Bonn Foreign Ministry at the Eichmann trial in Jerusalem, where he also analyzed documents submitted to the court.

O'Connor wanted to know whether the witness had ever had contact with Nazi hunter Tuvia Friedman, or had used the services of his Vienna Documentation Centre. Scheffler said he was aware of the existence of Friedman, but had never consulted his centre.

O'Connor: "Why not?"

Scheffler: "I never heard that his centre has original Trawniki documents."

At this Levin intervened and wanted to know how Scheffler knew this fact.

Scheffler: "I more or less know what there is and where it is from the professional literature."

Next, O'Connor asked the witness about the nature of his work, in the course of which he has testified at between 40 and 50 court cases.

"In how many of these cases did you appear for the defence?" O'Connor wanted to know.

"I don't care which court calls me or which side asks me to testify. I am interested in the historical fact," Scheffler replied.

He went on to explain that the situation in Germany is different from that in Israel or the U.S. "In Germany an expert is appointed by the court president, who before the trial hears both sides. Both parties can then request the services of the expert. The expert is independent."

Scheffler added that he greatly valued this independence. "After being contacted by a court president, I often learn only later which side of the case I am to testify for," he said.

Returning to Demjanjuk's 1981 denaturalization hearing, O'Connor seemed to imply that there had been some collusion between expert witness Scheffler and prosecution attorney Moskovitch, who travelled to Berlin months before the trial. During or after this meeting Scheffler was shown a photocopy of the ID card, of which he saw the original on Tuesday.

Scheffler had also attested to the authenticity of the document in 1981.

When Scheffler in another context said that the names of 27 Trawniki SS auxiliaries were known to him, O'Connor asked: "Is Ivan Demjanjuk among them?"

The answer was no.

Out of the blue, O'Connor then asked Scheffler whether he knew the name Alfred Bilitz, a naturalized German who was nicknamed Ivan and supposedly operated the gas chambers at Treblinka.

"He was a *Reichsdeutscher* [native of Germany], his name was Beilitz and he was not nicknamed Ivan," Scheffler replied.

William Turchin, a researcher from Cleveland, Ohio, said last month that he had uncovered the man's name and was planning to pass the information on to Demjanjuk's defence. But after Scheffler's brief answer, O'Connor did not follow up the matter.

Yesterday's session ended about two hours later than usual.

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Precious Metals

Gold	London	a.m. fix	423.20
	London	p.m. fix	420.50
	Paris	noon fix	412.58
	Zurich	p.m. fix	420.45
Silver	London	Spot	668.90
Platinum	London	p.m.	129.25

Libor Rates

	1 month	3 month	6 month
Sterling	10 1/16	9 15/16	9 11/16
Dollar	6 7/16	6 9/16	6 11/16
S. franc	3⅛	3⅜	3 11/16
D-mark	3 15/16	3 15/16	3⅝
Yen	4	4	4

SOURCE: MARINE MIDLAND BANK

Foreign Currency Crossrates (London 15:30 GMT)

Forward rates	Spot	3 months	6 months	12 months
Pound sterling	1.6125/35	133/128	229/224	407/397
Deutschmark	1.8378/85	123/118	250/245	495/485
Swiss franc	1.5290/00	116/111	233/223	455/430
Dutch florin	2.0765/70	62/57	140/132	305/290
French franc	6.1130/80	230/255	445/495	880/980
Japanese yen	146.45/55	96/91	197/187	405/385
Italian lira	1308.0/9.5	90/110	180/220	370/470
Belgian franc	38.03/08	3/7	8/14	14/24
Canadian dollar	1.3071/78	20/23	42/47	90/95
ECU	1.1310/15	13/10	19/14	30/20
S. African rand	0.4900/20	20/10	40/20	83/58
Austrian schilling	12.92/94	7.5/6.5	14/10	24/15
Swedish krona	6.382/88	58/62	113/119	211/221
Norwegian krone	6.8500/50	1285/1335	2600/2670	5000/5100
Danish krone	6.9275/25	590/660	1200/1300	2325/2525

Share indices

Commerzbank 60 stocks .... 1846.2−9.5
Financial Times 100 stocks .... 1973.4−13.5

NEW YORK FINANCIAL MARKETS (April 8)

U.S. Money Rates

Prime rate 7.75%
Broker loan 7.5–7.25%
NY Euros (3 months) 6⅜–½%
Fed funds last 6⅞%
30-year bond 95 19/32–17/32
Discount rate 5.5%

New York Foreign Exchange

	DMK	SFR	STG	YEN	CAN
Prev closing	1.8270/80	1.5145/55	1.6175/85	145.60/70	1.3055/60
Opening	1.8385/95	1.5290/00	1.6125/30	146.90/00	1.3081/86
Latest	1.8295/05	1.5215/25	1.6155/65	146.00/10	1.3055/60

Comment:
The dollar lost much of its earlier strength yesterday by the close, as a nervous market squared up long positions ahead of the release of the G-7 communique. Dealers said the dollar's rise and subsequent decline was largely technically motivated and underlying sentiment remained rather bearish.

Precious Metals

Gold	Spot	420.05	Silver	Spot	6.61
	Prev close	422.75		Prev close	6.74

Wall Street (Prices as of 16:00 EST)

Market Indices		
DJ Industrials	2,360.51	−45.03
DJ Transport	948.19	−13.29
DJ Utils	206.72	−5.29
65 stocks	876.91	−16.30
NYSE Comp	168.39	−2.57
NYSE Inds	204.46	−3.02
NASD Comp	434.31	−3.47
S–P 100 index	288.14	−5.49
S–P comp	296.96	−4.98
NASD Inds	459.98	−5.01
S&P OTC 250	274.57	−2.98

NYSE Highest Volume		
GCA CP	¼	unch
Texaco	33¾	+⅛
USX Corp	29⅝	+⅛
Bellsouth	39	−½
United Air	65¼	−½
Gen Motors	82¼	+¾
IBM	146½	−2⅞
Ford Motor	88⅞	−1¼
Gencorp	118	unch
ATT	23¾	−½

Statistics

NYSE	Volume	187,605,800	NASDAQ	Volume	150,724,200 (Apr. 6)
	Stocks up	384		Stock up	1209
	Stocks down	948		Stocks down	1136

Comment:
Wall Street stock prices were pounded lower late yesterday afternoon by futures-related sell programmes and strong profit-taking. A weak bond market ignited concern about rising interest rates and inflation, triggering the selloff, traders said.

Israeli Stocks Traded in New York

NYSE/Amex

	Last	Prev. close	High	Low	Vol. ('00s)
Alliance	–	1⅝	–	–	–
Am Isr Pap	27	26¾	27	26⅞	110
Ampal	1⅞	1⅞	2	1⅞	74
Carmel Cont	8	8¼	8⅛	8	29
Elscint	1⅞	1⅞	2	1⅞	40
Etz Lavud	9¾	[illegible]	9¾	9⅝	20
Laser Inds	13⅝	13⅞	13¾	13½	97

Over-the-Counter

	Last	Bid	Ask
Aryt	—	7	7½
Bank Leumi	—	23	24½
Elbit	11½	11⅜	11⅝
ECI Tel	4⅛	4	4⅜
Elron	9	9	9⅛
Fibronics	6¾	6¾	7
IDB	—	51	55
IIS	3⅞	3½	3⅞
Interpharm	—	4½	5
Optrotech	7	6¼	7
Rada	—	3¾	7
Scitex	3½	3½	3⅝
Taro-Vit	—	2¼	2⅝
Teva Pharm	—	9½	9⅝
SPI	3	3	3¼

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An unlifted cloud

THE bank-share "arrangement," whereby the Treasury undertook to redeem the public's holdings in the shares of Israel's four biggest banking groups, has been a blight on the economy from the day it was born.

The wildly over-generous terms it offered to bank shareholders, without any attempt at discriminating between the majority of them who had profited from the years of "regulation" and that minority which had lost, saddled the government with a $7 billion obligation that boosted the national debt by 25 per cent in one stroke. It represents a black cloud that could blot out the light of the economic recovery that started in mid-1986, and that the official statistics have belatedly recognized, long after every citizen became aware of its existence through higher output, lower unemployment – and a massive consumer boom.

The threat posed by the "arrangement" is compounded by its disastrous structuring, whereby $3.8b. must be redeemed on one day, October 30, 1988. That that date falls days before the next scheduled general election has meant that discussion of the whole issue of the arrangement has, for the 42 months since "Black October" in 1983, been muted and sporadic at best.

Furthermore, the budgetary impact of the repayment is barely half the story. The rest concerns the future of the banking industry – to be precise, who should own it. At present, even when the government buys their shares, the banks will not formally be under government control, because the voting power in Banks Leumi, Hapoalim and Mizrahi rest with the World Zionist Organization, Hevrat Haovdim and Hapoel Hamizrahi respectively, while IDB, parent of Bank Discount, is controlled by the Recanati family. The discrepancy between control and ownership was starkly highlighted only a few months ago by the scandal at Bank Leumi, and the prospect of the public paying billions without at the same time achieving ownership is surely intolerable.

But public ownership is nationalization, and even Israel's political consensus, wedded as it still is to its statist ideology and practice, does not want that to happen. The central role of the banks in the economy means that if they were nationalized, there would be almost nothing left outside the government's maw. For example, the main shareholders of the Clal group, which is a conglomerate active in industry, construction, insurance and much else, are none other than Bank Hapoalim and IDB.

Similarly, if the banking groups are nationalized, then by extension and by default, most big Israeli high-tech firms (barring those in the Koor group) will become indirectly government-owned. The prospect, in short, does not bear thinking about.

That may explain why not much thinking was done about it for so long. But, not surprisingly, the cloud that was once the size of a man's hand has grown into a pregnant threat that hangs over the economy, and is set to burst in precisely eighteen months. At this late hour, the Bank of Israel and the Treasury have finally reached the stage of being able to produce ideas for resolving these problems. Not joint ideas, and not final ones. Each of these august institutions will air preliminary plans at a seminar at the Hebrew University this afternoon, and thereby formally open a public debate on what is, in the opinion of many, the most urgent item on the economic agenda.

Once opened, the debate must be pursued with vigour and honesty, and not sink back into mumbled assurances that "*things will sort themselves out.*" *All* the evidence suggests that things, left to the government and the banks, will do nothing of the sort, and the growing prospect of early elections only makes matters worse. It will be up to public opinion, which has shown its power often enough in the aftermath of the bank share collapse, to make sure that the arrangements about the "arrangement" are made sensibly, and in good time.

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was up to the Palestinians to choose their representatives.

Meanwhile, Brutents yesterday told members of the Socialist International's Middle East Committee that every Jew not a security risk could leave the Soviet Union.

Zotov met with a delegation of Israeli children of refuseniks who had been invited to come to Rome under the auspices of the Israeli Public Council for Soviet Jewry. When told by Sonya Levin, the daughter of Alexander Lerner, that her refusenik father, 80-years-old, was certainly not a security risk, Zotov replied that Soviet emigration officials were sometimes too harsh in their decisions.

Another group of Israeli Soviet Jewry activists – the "Soviet Jewry Education and Information Centre" – distributed flowers and information sheets concerning Jews on hunger strike in the Soviet Union because they have been denied exit visas for Israel.

The Socialist International conference is to wind up this afternoon.

Brutents told the conference that the possibility of holding an international parley has increased "because all people, except for maybe some zigzags of some governments, understand it is the only real way to have a settlement on the Middle East."

Brutents sought to play down the significance of the talks with Peres. "It is wrong to make something sensational out of this," he said. "Yesterday we met. We had a normal dialogue. They gave their view and we gave our view – nothing extraordinary."

AFP reported from Moscow that deputy Soviet Foreign Minister Vladimir Petrovski will visit the Gulf States, Jordan and Iraq next week as part of a continuing Kremlin campaign for Soviet participation in a Middle East peace conference.

Petrovski said at a press conference in Moscow yesterday that the Soviet Union wished to "examine issues leading to a settlement of conflict in the Middle East and to a possible ending of the Gulf War."

Announcing the tour, Petrovski noted that an "overwhelming majority" of countries, excepting the U.S. and Israel, backed the Soviet proposal for a preparatory meeting leading the way to an international conference on the Arab-Israeli conflict.

Strafe the camps – with food

Shlomo Avineri

IN THE southern suburbs of Beirut, tens of thousands of Palestinians – *many* of them women, children and the elderly – were besieged by fellow Arabs. The refugee camps of Bourj al-Barajneh, Shatilla and Sabra were encircled for months by Shi'ite Amal militiamen – and the seige could well be resumed. Most of the Arab world, usually so easily mobilized against Israel, is silent. World public opinion, quick to condemn Israel for its treatment of Palestinians, is silent. Nobody really cares.

Israel should break this conspiracy of silence and hypocrisy. And there is only one way to do it: by parachuting food and medicine from Israeli aircraft to save the camp inhabitants from starvation and disease. Israel has the military capability to do this: it also has the moral obligation and the political motivation for such an unorthodox measure.

Palestinian terrorist organizations are the sworn enemies of Israel. But the Palestinian people are, and will continue to be, our neighbours – regardless of what the future boundaries of Israel will be. We, the people of Israel, who have known siege, persecution, starvation and abandonment, could show the world we can distinguish between morality and expedience, between compassion and warfare.

In the complex web of Lebanese politics, Israel is obviously interested in seeing Amal get the upper hand against the PLO. But unlike Amal – whose morality, like that of the Phalangists before them, draws from other sources than does our's – we should be able to distinguish between military struggle and inhumane and barbaric treatment of civilians.

IMAGINE THE following:

One early morning, the camps' inhabitants hear the droning of aircraft. They may fear an air-raid: Israeli? Syrian? Perhaps the Amal people got themselves some aircraft – who knows? Instead, hundreds of parcels, with Israeli insignia, and appropriate inscriptions in Hebrew, Arabic and English drop on the camps. They contain staple foods – Israeli army rations – baby food, milk, medical supplies, each bearing the inscription: "From Israel, with a message of peace."

What will the camp inhabitants do? Reject the supplies and go on starving?

What will the PLO leadership do? Warn the starving Palestinians to stay away from the Israeli food because it is poisoned?

What will Arab governments do – except feel their self-seeking hypocrisy exposed?

What will the International Red Cross do – censure Israel?

What will the Security Council do – condemn Israel for violating Lebanese air space?

What will world public opinion say – except feel surprised? What will TV cameras do – except flash close-ups of the Israeli parcels to the four corners of the earth?

HUMANITARIAN, political and public-relations considerations urge such a step from Israel's point of view – and seldom do these three aspects go together:

On the humanitarian side, we, the Jewish people, can recognize in the suffering of others the memory of our own suffering. Because we too have been slaves in the land of Egypt – as the Pessah Haggada so aptly reminds us in this very season.

Politically, such a move would be an investment in our future relationship with the Palestinian people. We may argue in Israel about the future of the West Bank and Gaza: we do not argue that we have to reach out to the Palestinian people, weaken the terrorist leadership of their organizations, build bridges for future understanding and coexistence. As Solomon, the wisest of men, said: "Cast thy bread upon the water, for thou shalt find it after many days (Ecclesiastes 11:1)." Nowadays, you can do it also by air.

The public relations aspect is so obvious it does not have to be spelt out. We did it with the "Good Fence" in the 1970's and reaped the benefits.

The IDF is known for its imaginative and unorthodox methods of waging war. It could show it is equally imaginative and unorthodox in waging peace.

The writer, professor of political science at the Hebrew University, was director-general of the Foreign Ministry.

A question of balance

Max Singer

DISCUSSION of political events and people is too often one-sided. When someone opposes an action or criticizes a person, he typically denies all justifications and rejects everything positive about the object of his attack. But most reality is complex, and few policies or people are all bad. Therefore one-sided discussions almost always distort and conceal significant truths. Let's try to make a more balanced assessment of the Pollard business.

I am an American and a Jew. I have had a U.S. top secret clearance for the last 28 years. For several years I lived in Israel and worked for an Israeli policy research organization (partly funded by gifts from an American). Two of my four sons have settled in Israel and become Israeli citizens (while maintaining their U.S. citizenship), and are now officers in the Israel armed forces.

I would never provide Israel with classified information I had received as an American working for my government. If, for some reason, I agreed to receive classified information *from the Israeli government and* to keep it secret, I would never provide such information to the U.S. government.

I believe that a person who receives classified information on the basis of a commitment to keep that information secret has an obligation to observe his commitment.

Therefore I condemn Jonathan Pollard's action in violating his obligations to the U.S. by illegally supplying U.S. classified information to Israel. But all wrongdoing is not the same. Some wrongs are worse than others. It is worthwhile to accurately describe and assess wrongdoing.

THE INFORMATION that Pollard provided to Israel was information about Israel's enemies (generally countries that are enemies of the U.S. as well). Israel used the information to protect itself against its enemies, not in connection with any conflict with the U.S.

Nevertheless, the leakage of information from the U.S. was damaging to the U.S. because it damaged our ability to get such information in the future and our reputation for being able to protect secrets entrusted to us. (Although that reputation was already sadly damaged in quite other ways.) Also, Israel may have used the information provided by Pollard to do things that the U.S. government disagreed with.

POLLARD did not aid an enemy of the U.S. – or provide any country with information to be used against the U.S. The information he provided was important in saving Israeli lives and increasing Israel's safety in its fight against countries that are trying to destroy Israel. It was information about other countries, not about U.S. technology or U.S. plans or internal U.S. secrets.

As far as I know, there has been no indication that Pollard had any desire to hurt the U.S. On the other hand he was willing to cause some damage to the U.S. as a by-product of his efforts to help Israel – although the damage to the U.S. may have come more from the public exposure of his actions than from the actions themselves.

The alliance between Israel and the U.S. is profound. It is based fundamentally on the fact that the U.S. and Israel are both democracies, and both countries that recognize their obligations to the same God. The great majority of the people of both countries recognize these fundamental facts. Thus the alliance is based not just on governmental decision, but also on the profound support of the two peoples. In a world in which both the U.S. and Israel have many active enemies, there is no way in which the U.S. and Israel can become enemies.

The governments of Israel and the U.S. often disagree with each other. Often they disagree about what is best for the other. The two countries have many conflicting interests – both real ones and ones based on differences of opinion between the governments. The U.S. has received classified information from Israel and used it against the Israeli government in negotiations. So far as I know, there is no reason to think that the U.S. does not take active steps to obtain such Israeli classified information.

It is sometimes said that Israel has a special obligation to the U.S. because it is dependent on the approximately $3 billion it receives annually from the U.S. government and the approximately $300 million it receives annually from U.S. citizens. It is less often recognized that the value of the information and other security benefits that Israel provides to the U.S. is much greater than $3b. a year. For example, U.S. (and Nato) armoured forces depend to a significant degree on technology developed by Israel. Judged by other expenditures it makes, the U.S. should and would pay more than $3b. to get what it gets from Israel. Thus, both the U.S. and Israel are net beneficiaries from their relations with each other.

CLEARLY the situation is complex.

Pollard should not have done what he did. His punishment is too severe, given the mitigating factors and compared to the actions of genuine enemies of the U.S.

So long as the U.S. keeps from Israel information about other countries' weapons that are endangering Israeli lives and safety, Israel must be expected to try to get that information. But there are limits to the actions that Israel should use – just as there are limits to the actions that the U.S. should use in getting information that Israel tries to keep secret from it.

I believe that one limit that Israel should observe is to refrain from using American Jews in ways that violate American laws or their obligations as recipients of classified information. (Similarly, the U.S. should refrain from using Americans who become Israeli citizens as spies against Israel.)

Using Jewish Americans (or American-born Israelis) in this way exacerbates a necessarily delicate aspect of U.S.-Israel relations, hurts millions of people who are valuable to both countries by creating suspicion that they might be spies, and thus reducing the contributions such people can make to their country.

Undoubtedly, there should be additional limits on Israel's and the U.S.'s "spying" on each other – although the appropriate limits are not necessarily the same or symmetrical, because the relationship is profoundly asymmetrical.

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READERS' LETTERS

KUPAT HOLIM

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – In his article of March 20, "The body politic," Macabee Dean claims to study a complicated problem in depth and leads the readers to shallow conclusions that will result in an eventual end of egalitarian medicine in Israel.

Many people come to Israel to learn how Kupat Holim succeeded in the 75 years of its existence (and not 67 as Mr. Dean writes), to support the Zionist movement by providing medical services on such a scale that even its critics admit that, without Kupat Holim, it might not have been possible to realize the Jewish people's dream of a return to the land. New immigrants from Ethiopia, the Soviet Union, Argentina and Iran know that they and their families will receive from the outset complete medical coverage, from aspirin to open-heart surgery.

Macabee Dean has a theory and, to confirm it, he builds a whole edifice of irrelevant suppositions.

Mr. Dean calls the present period one of great affluence in Israel, but that is not true and social gaps must not be allowed to increase. When dealing with health, equality must be complete and commercial and political factors must not be allowed to play a role.

Mr. Dean explains at great length which classes of the population enjoy preferential status in the Israeli health system. Somehow, this smacks of gossip. He attacks the Minister of Health, Mrs. Shoshana Arbeli Almoslino, for not having succeeded in her task, just like her predecessor.

Mr. Dean calls on Kupat Holim to earn a lot of money and give up its egalitarian approach. But what shall we do – Kupat Holim does not want to earn a lot of money; it was not founded to do so; it does not want to establish a private medical service as Mr. Dean suggests, by following Hadassah's example in Jerusalem. And, really, Mr. Dean, does Hadassah Hospital earn so much? It also faces financial difficulties and a deficit.

Mr. Dean wants Kupat Holim to institute private medical services. As a veteran journalist, he can pay for it. But what about the majority of people in Galilee, the Negev, Jerusalem and the development towns? Who will pay for them? Nobody. They will get second-rate if not third rate medical service.

Macabee Dean also suggests that Kupat Holim sever its connection with the Histadrut. Does he want to break the Histadrut?

Following a political analysis based on cliches and gossip, he asks whether the disappearance of all four sick funds would not be a money-saving step. Without doubt, he decides. Yet, at the time when a national health law was under consideration, the Treasury, under a Likud minister, objected to the proposal as liable to cost the state much more money. Macabee Dean finds it convenient to ignore this professional opinion. Yet he himself admits that the disappearance of Kupat Holim would be a disaster for the health services.

Kupat Holim insures the great majority of Israel's population. Its financial difficulties are the same as those of all sectors of the Israel economy. In view of its tremendous defence budget, Israel can only allocate 7.4 per cent of its budget to health. That is the core of the problem.

In conclusion, Kupat Holim has now overcome its crisis. This is the second year that its budget is balanced as a result of extraordinary efficiency measures. But this does not free the state from its obligation to participate in public health as is done all over the world.

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POETIC INJUNCTION

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – In his Telereview (March 6), Philip Gillon gives the lines "Thou shalt not kill; but need not strive/ Officiously to keep alive" as Hilaire Belloc's advice to doctors.

Though they make a fine watchword today for those who have the power to prolong pain, they were not so intended. Written by Arthur Hugh Clough in the 1850s, they are part of a satirical verion of the Ten Commandments, "The Latest Decalogue," aimed against the wealthy of the Industrial Revolution who supported the church but felt no obligation to waste money on workers' health and safety.

"Thou shalt not covet," Clough concludes, "but tradition/ Approves all forms of competition."

Na'an. *LOIS TZUR*

HOLOCAUST CONSENSUS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – As the Demjanjuk trial progresses, we are witnesses to many of its interesting aspects, as well as the media's coverage of it. Amongst the many (an understatement) differences of opinion in almost every aspect of Israel politics and society, I have noticed a rare consensus regarding the Demjanjuk trial.

I find this consensus to be a terribly depressing reflection of Israel's short history. One would think that, after almost 39 years of existence as an independent state, Israel could generate a domestic consensus on an issue other than Jewish suffering. It is ironic to me that the Holocaust, as a catalyst to the formation of the state, remains until today the number one, if not the only, subject of national consensus.

SAM MUELLER
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DRUG FOR AIDS PATIENTS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – Your report of March 25, concerning the use of a drug, AL721, developed by Prof. Meir Shinitzky and me, which was tried on a limited number of patients with Aids, both in Israel and in the United States, contains a number of errors.

First, AL721 is a mixture of lipids (not liquids), fatty substances which can be extracted from egg-yolk – though there are other more expensive ways of manufacturing it.

Second, as correctly reported, Dr. Robert Gallo of the National Cancer Institute in the U.S. found that AL721 is effective in attenuating the effects of HIV (the Aids virus) on part of the immune system (T-cells) in the test tube. However, the statement that this effect was found when AL721 was used on a cancer patient with Aids refers to Dr. Skornik's work at Rokah Hospital in Tel Aviv and has nothing to do with Dr. Gallo.

There has also been a clinical trial of AL721 on a small number of patients at St. Lukes Hospital in New York with encouraging results.

We now hope that the formalities both in the U.S. and in Israel will soon be overcome so that a proper study of AL721 on various types of Aids patients will be undertaken in order to determine the optimal conditions for its use.

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TEL AVIV RUN

To The Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – How can the organizers of the Marathon justify holding this event on a working day and planning the course to run through the busiest streets of Tel Aviv?

As usual, this years's event caused considerable inconvenience to car drivers and complete disruption of certain bus services as I and numerous other would-be passengers can testify after waiting in Dizengoff over an hour for Ramat Gan buses that never appeared.

SHEILA MORRIS
Ramat Gan.

ADVISORY SERVICE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, – In your article of March 10, "'Sold' baby reunited with mother," you rightly mention the help extended to the mother by Na'amat, but not that extended originally to her by the Public Advisory Service of the Labour and Social Affairs Ministry, which was insturmental in bringing about Na'amat's involvement.

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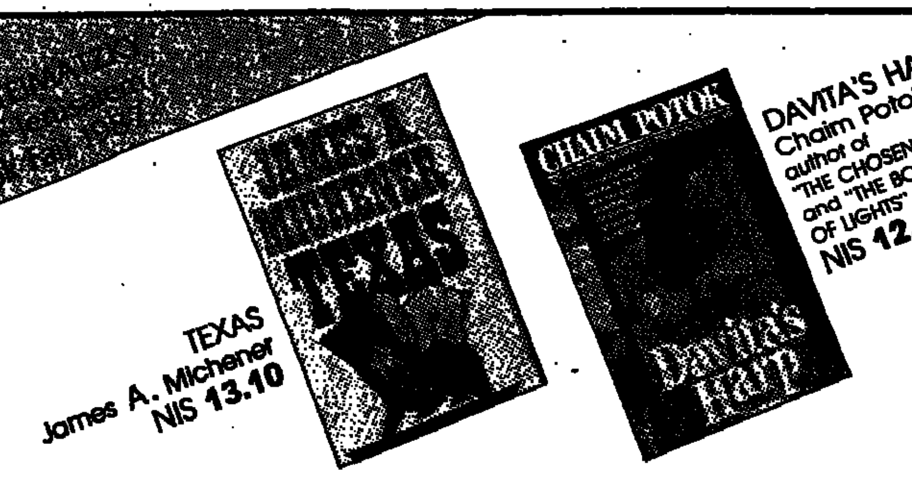

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